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Nashville Club Plans Hermitage FD Cachet

A combination first day cover and exhibition cachet will be offered by the Nashville, Tenn. Philatelic Society at its 1959 stamp exhibition March 14-16. The event will be climaxed by the first day of issue of the 4½c Hermitage stamp.

The cachet, featuring the Hermitage and a small portrait of Andrew Jackson, was designed by Worth B. Carnahan, designer of big game and trout stamps for the State of Tennessee. They will be printed by the litho-offset process in two colors.

The event will be staged in the Andrew Jackson Hotel in Nashville. Covers are 15c each, two for 25c, to include the cachet, first day cancellation on the 4½c Hermitage stamp, envelopes and addressing. Orders should be sent to Kenneth Hinson, 1410 E. Douglas Ave., Nashville 6, Tenn.

New Mexico Collectors Invited To Join Group

Stamp collectors of all interests, ages and degrees of experience who are not already members of the New Mexico Philatelic Assn. are urgently invited to communicate with the group and learn of its activities and benefits.

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Hints On Masonic Stamp Collecting

Ralph C. Huntington

A guide to Masonic stamp collecting can be no more than an outline of several phases of the specialty, written in the hope that one or more facets mentioned may so intrigue the reader that he strikes out on his own and develops a collection which satisfies his personal creative instinct.

Freemasonry, being a worldwide fraternity, lends itself to building a collection within the framework of almost any country or group of countries in which a collector may specialize. The general collector should find among his unmounted duplicates a whole array of stamps of the world with which to begin.

He can then build into an outstanding collection illustrating the teachings, precepts, tenets, and principles of the fraternity. The great cathedrals of Europe are illustrative of "operational Masonry". Monaco depicts the Arch and Keystone. Mozambique uses the Red Cross. British East Africa uses the motto "Light and Liberty".

There is an enormous field of hand carved canceling devices made of wood, cork or metal, which depict various emblems used by the fraternity in teaching its precepts. Because these were created by the local postmaster or by one of his clerks, it is probably impossible to conceive of two such "killers" made at two different post offices that could be identical.

Differences of opinion frequently develop among the more advanced cancellation specialists as to whether a given specimen is Masonic or not. This leads them to a further study of the origin of the cancel and the fraternal activity surrounding the post office at the time the canceller was used.

Examples of Masonic material, frequently marked and identified, are available in most dealers' stocks. Circuits of the U. S. Cancellation Club in Denver, as well as of other groups, often carry books of these cancels.

Whole topical Masonic collections have been built around Masonic corner cards. An ingenious collector once formed a very presentable album of covers showing the various dates of his advancement in Masonry. The stamps on them bore portraits of Masons.

In naming eminent scholars in the field of Masonic philately, one is bound to omit names which deservedly belong in such a list. To mention but a few, there is John A. Mirt of Chicago, who frequently writes under the title, "Mirt's Back Porch". He is perhaps the most prolific writer on the general subject of Masonic philately and is the author of "Masons on Stamps".

Then there is Franklin R. Bruns, Jr. of Washington, D. C., the former stamp editor of the New York World-Telegram & Sun. Later he became Curator of the Division of Philately and Postal History at the Smithsonian Institution and presently is Director of the Division of Philately in the Post Office Department.

Others are Harry M. Konwiser, author and originator of the famous "American Philatelic Dictionary"; Richard M. Needham, originator of the Masonic "Mahdeen" covers; Sam Brooks, author of "Masonic Philately"; Dr. Stewart Duffield Swan, author of the "Swan Classification of Cancellation Types" and the "Rarity Scale"; Alvin D. Lurch; Carl E. Pelander; Herman Herst, and a host of others.

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★	#2553 2c VF OG	3.00
★	#2527 3c VF OG	3.00
★	#2558 10c Fine OG	6.00
★	#2559 15c Fine OG fresh	8.50
★	#2620 50c Good part OG	7.50
★	#266-267 2 Types in Blk (4)	
★	F-VF OG fresh rare	25.00
★	#267-274 1c-15c Cpl. VF OG rare	34.50
★	#276 11c VF OG fresh	40.00
★	#277 \$2.00 VF-Sup. OG	
★	"A Gem"	75.00
★	#278 \$5.00 Superb OG rich color	
★	"A Gem"	150.00
★	#278 \$5.00 Blk VF-Sup. OG fresh	850.00
★	#280 4c VF OG fresh	2.25
★	#280B 4c Blk VF OG	8.50
★	#281 4c VF OG	9.25
★	#282 6c VF OG fresh	4.00
★	#282B 6c Blk VF OG	18.50
★	#282c 10c VF OG fresh	11.25
★	#283 10c VF-Sup. OG	9.00
★	#283 10c VF OG rich color	8.75
★	#285 1c Blk VF OG	6.50
★	#286 2c Blk VF OG	6.50
★	#287 4c VF OG rich color	8.50
★	#287 4c Blk VF-Sup. OG rich color	47.50
★	"A Gem"	9.50
★	#288 5c F-VF OG	7.00
★	#288 5c Blk VF-Sup. OG	
★	"A Gem"	47.50
★	#289 8c Good-Fine OG	6.75
★	#289 8c Blk VF-Sup. OG	30.00
★	"A Gem"	
★	#290 10c Sup. OG "A Gem"	15.00
★	#291 50c VF-Sup. OG	2.25
★	#292 \$1.00 Onyx VF-Sup. OG fresh	80.00
★	"A Gem"	
★	#292 \$1.00 VF OG	85.00
★	#293 \$2.00 VF-Sup. OG rich color	120.00
★	"A Gem"	
★	#294 \$2.00 VF OG fresh	160.00
★	#293 \$2.00 G nice color	
★	unused	70.00
★	#293 \$2.00 G-F OG thins	75.00
★	#293 \$2.00 VF used	85.00
★	#294-299 1c-15c VF OG fresh	36.00
★	#294-299 1c-15c Blk VF-Sup. OG	155.00
★	#295 2c Blk VF OG	4.00
★	#295 2c Blk VF OG	5.00
★	#296 4c VF-Sup. OG	7.50
★	#297 5c Blk VF-Sup. OG	35.25
★	#297 5c Blk VF-Sup. OG	40.00
★	#298 8c Blk VF-Sup. OG	57.50
★	#299 10c VF-Sup. OG	12.50
★	#299 10c Blk VF OG fresh	67.50
★	#300-308 1c-15c VF OG	18.00
★	#301 3c VF-Sup. OG	2.25
★	#302 3c Blk VF-Sup. OG	12.50
★	#303 4c VF OG	2.75
★	#303 4c Blk VF OG	10.50
★	#304 5c VF-Sup. OG	2.50
★	#304 5c Blk VF OG	4.00
★	#305 6c Blk VF OG	11.25
★	#306 8c VF-Sup. OG	2.75
★	#306 8c Blk VF OG	11.00
★	#309 15c VF OG fresh	8.50
★	#310 5c Blk VF OG fresh	43.50
★	#310 50c VF-Sup. OG	25.00
★	#310 50c F-VF OG fresh	21.50
★	#311 1c Blk VF OG "A Gem"	60.00
★	#311 \$1.00 VF OG fresh	45.00
★	#312 \$2.00 VF unused, rich color	55.00
★	#312 \$2.00 used VF-Sup. OG rich color	30.00
★	#312 \$2.00 Blk VF-Sup. OG rich color	
★	"A Gem"	365.00
★	#313 \$5.00 VF OG	30.00
★	#313 \$5.00 VF OG rich color	135.00
★	#313 \$5.00 VF used rich color	90.00
★	#312 \$5.00 Fine used fresh	60.00
★	#315 5c Imperf. single VF OG	75.00
★	#315 5c Blk VF-Sup. OG	155.00
★	#315 5c Blks Sup. OG	148.00
★	"A Gem"	325.00
★	#320 2c pair VF OG	6.50
★	#320A 2c Lake Superb OG	8.00
★	#320B 2c Horiz. Sup. OG	16.00
★	#320A 2c Blk Supert. OG	10.00
★	#320B 2c Blk Sup. OG	10.00
★	#323-327 1c-10c VF OG	40.00
★	#323-327 1c-10c F-VF OG	26.80
★	#323-324 1c-2c F-VF OG	4.50
★	#323 2c VF-Sup. OG	11.50
★	#324 2c Blk VF-Sup. OG	7.50
★	#325 3c Blk VF OG fresh	31.50
★	#326 5c VF-Sup. OG	9.50
★	#327 10c VF-Sup. OG	42.50
★	#327 10c Blk VF-Sup. OG	24.00

"A Gem" ...
 #380 8c Blk
 #381 10c Blk

0	★	#381 10c VF-Sup. OG	8.50
0	★	#382 10c VF-Sup. OG	33.50
0	★	#382 15c Blk VF-Sup. OG	12.50
0	★	#382 15c Blk VF-Sup. OG	60.00
1	★	#385-386 1c-2c Pairs F-VF OG	8.50
1	★	#390-394 1c-3c Colts F-VF OG	12.50
1	★	#395-399 1c-3c Pairs F-VF OG	26.00
4	★	#394 3c Paste Up pair	
5	★	#397-398 1c-2c VF-Sup. OG	7.50
5	★	#397 1c Blk VF-Sup. OG	2.50
5	★	#397 1c Blk VF-Sup. OG	5.50
5	★	#398 1c Blk VF-Sup. OG	8.75
8	★	#399 5c VF-Sup. OG	9.00
8	★	#399 5c Blk Sup. OG	
8	★	"A Gem"	46.50
0	★	#399 5c Blk VF OG	37.50
0	★	#400 10c Superb OG	17.50
2	★	#401 1c Blk VF-Sup. OG	
2	★	OG fresh	68.50
3	★	#400A 10c VF-Sup. OG fresh	21.50
3	★	#400A 10c Blk VF-Sup. OG	
3	★	OG fresh	90.00
5	★	#401 1c VF OG	3.00
5	★	#401 1c Blk VF-Sup. OG	
5	★	"A Gem"	14.50
7	★	#402 2c Sup. OG "A Gem"	13.00
7	★	#402 2c VF OG fresh	8.50
9	★	#403 1c Blk VF-Sup. OG	
9	★	"A Gem"	45.00
0	★	#403 5c VF-Sup. OG	27.50
0	★	#403 5c VF OG	21.50
1	★	#403 5c Blk Superb OG	
1	★	"A Gem"	190.00
1	★	#403 1c Blk VF-Sup. OG	90.00
1	★	"A Gem"	
1	★	#404 10c Superb OG "A Gem"	
1	★	rich color	120.00
1	★	#404 10c VF OG fresh	88.50
1	★	#404 10c Blk VF-Sup. OG	
1	★	"A Gem"	475.00
7	★	#405-407 1c-7c VF-Sup. OG	8.75
7	★	#410-413 1c-2c F-VF OG	4.25
7	★	#410-413 1c-2c Pairs F-VF OG	9.00
7	★	#411 1c-3c Pairs F-VF OG "A Gem"	11.00
7	★	#414 8c Blk VF-Sup. OG	1.50
7	★	#415 9c VF-Sup. OG	3.75
7	★	#416 10c VF-Sup. OG	3.00
7	★	#417 12c VF-Sup. OG	2.25
7	★	#418 15c VF-Sup. OG	9.00
7	★	#418 15c VF-Sup. OG	6.25
7	★	#419 20c VF-Sup. OG	12.50
7	★	#420 30c VF-Sup. OG	
7	★	"A Gem"	9.50
7	★	#420 30c Blk Sup. OG	215.00
7	★	"A Gem"	
7	★	#421 50c Sup. OG fat margins	
7	★	"A Gem" rich color	50.00
7	★	#421 50c Blk Sup. OG	42.50
7	★	#421 50c Blk Sup. OG	
7	★	"A Gem"	200.00
7	★	#422 50c VF-Sup. OG	25.00
7	★	#422 50c Blk VF-Sup. OG fresh	87.50
7	★	#423 1.00 VF OG	45.00
7	★	#423 1.00 Blk VF-Sup. OG	
7	★	OG rare	240.00
7	★	#423-428 1c-20c VF-Sup. OG	
7	★	"A Gem"	62.50
7	★	#424-425 1c-2c Blks VF-Sup. OG	
7	★	OG	2.50
7	★	#426 3c Blk Superb OG	5.75
7	★	#427 4c Blk VF OG	13.00
7	★	#428 5c Blk VF-Sup. OG	2.25
7	★	#428 5c Blk VF-Sup. OG	8.25
7	★	#429 6c VF-Sup. OG	7.75
7	★	#429 6c Blk Sup. OG	13.50
7	★	#431 8c VF-Sup. OG	3.25
7	★	#431 8c Blk VF-Sup. OG	14.50
7	★	#432 9c VF-Sup. OG	14.50
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7	★	#433 10c VF-Sup. OG	3.00
7	★	#434 11c VF-Sup. OG	1.25
7	★	#435 12c VF-Sup. OG	2.40
7	★	#435 12c Blk VF-Sup. OG	10.50
7	★	#436 13c VF-Sup. OG	12.50
7	★	#437 15c Blk Superb OG	14.50
7	★	#438 20c VF-Sup. OG	14.75
7	★	#438 20c Blk VF-Sup. OG	62.50
7	★	#439 30c VF-Sup. OG	21.00
7	★	#439 30c Blk VF-Sup. OG	87.50
7	★	#440 50c Sup. OG "A Gem"	15.25
7	★	#440 50c VF OG fresh	60.00
7	★	#440 50c Blk Sup. OG	
7	★	"A Gem"	315.00
7	★	#444 1c-3c VF-Sup. OG	6.00
7	★	#444 2c L Pair Sup. OG	15.00
7	★	#445 3c F-VF OG NH	26.00
7	★	#445 3c Pr F-VF OG NH rare	55.00
7	★	#446 4c Coll VF OG	13.50
7	★	#446 4c Blk VF-Sup. OG	27.50
7	★	#447 5c VF-Sup. OG	17.50
7	★	#448 6c VF-Sup. OG	14.50
7	★	#449 7c VF-Sup. OG	68.50
7	★	#450 1.00 VF-Sup. OG	68.50
7	★	#451-476 1c-20c VF-Sup. OG	
7	★	OG fresh	87.50
7	★	#464 3c VF-Sup. OG	8.00
7	★	#464 3c Blk VF-Sup. OG	32.50
7	★	#465 4c VF-Sup. OG	2.75
7	★	#465 4c Blk VF-Sup. OG	13.00
7	★	#466 5c VF-Sup. OG	5.00
7	★	#466 5c Blk VF-Sup. OG fresh	17.50
7	★	#467 6c error VF OG	95.00
7	★	#467 6c error in Blk (6)	
7	★	VF OG fresh	90.00
7	★	#467 6c error in Blk (9) G-F	
7	★	OG fresh	115.00
7	★	#467 6c Double error in Blk	
7	★	(12) F-VF OG NH fresh rare	165.00
7	★	#468 8c VF-Sup. OG	7.25
7	★	#469 9c VF-Sup. OG	5.00
7	★	#470 10c VF-Sup. OG	5.00
7	★	#471 8c VF-Sup. OG	5.00
7	★	#472 10c VF-Sup. OG	12.50
7	★	#472 11c VF-Sup. OG	3.00
7	★	#472 11c Blk VF-Sup. OG	11.00
7	★	#473 12c VF-Sup. OG	5.00
7	★	#474 13c VF-Sup. OG rare	14.00
7	★	#475 15c Blk VF-Sup. OG	
7	★	OG fresh	62.50
7	★	#476 20c VF-Sup. OG	18.50
7	★	#477 50c VF-Sup. OG	32.50
7	★	"A Gem"	125.00
7	★	#478 1.00 Sup. OG rare	95.00
7	★	#479 1.00 Blk VF-Sup. OG	
7	★	OG fresh	385.00
7	★	#479 2.00 VF-Sup. OG	27.50
7	★	#479 2.00 Blk VF-Sup. OG	
7	★	"A Gem"	115.00
7	★	#480 3.00 Superb OG	24.50
7	★	#480 3.00 Blk VF-Sup. OG	24.50
7	★	#481 4.00 1c-3c Blks Sup. OG	14.50
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4 ★ #619 5c Blk
5 ★ #620-621 2c-
6 ★ #622 3c 2c-

★	#620-52	3c-5c Blks Sup.	OG	27.50
★	#620-52	Wc. Wh. Plains Sht (35)		
★	VF OG			60.00
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★	#674-715	¾c-10c VF-Sup.	OG	4.00
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★	#756-765	1c-10c Farley	Sup.	75.00
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★	#771	16c Blk Superb		3.75
★	#782	24c Blk VF-Sup.	OG	35.00
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★	#C13	65c VF-Sup. used		22.50
★	#C14	65c Blk VF OG		125.00
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★	#E3	10c VF-Sup. OG rich color		4.00
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★	"A Gem"			65.00
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★	#F1	10c VF OG		4.50
★	#F1	10c VF-Sup. OG		11.00
★	#K1-16	Shanghai VF OG rare		80.00
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★	#Q10	50c Blk VF OG rare		70.00
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★		"A Gem" rare		38.50
★	#Q12	\$1.00 VF OG rare		32.50
★	#Q12	\$1.00 VF-Sup. OG rare		145.00
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★	#286	2c Pl. Pair Fine		3.25
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★	#326	3c T. Pl. Single VF		75.00
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★		rich fresh color rare		45.00
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★		tiny tear in margin		8.50
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★	#357	1c T. Pl. Bk (4)		
★	VF-Sup. V. rare			110.00
★	#366	15c Blush T. Pl. Bk (4) VF-Sup. very scarce		
★	"A Gem"			600.00
★	#372	2c Pl. No. Pair VF		37.50
★	#375	2c Strip (3) F-VF		1.25
★	#380	8c B. Pl. Bk (4) imprint		
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Error In An Illustration

Due to the improper insertion of several linotype slugs, the chart which accompanied the UN 1½c Precancel article in the February 9 edition was not quite correct. This change was marked on the page proofs after the corrections had been noted in our office and forwarded to the printers. The compositor when inserting the corrected slugs got them in the wrong spots and out of line with the balance of the chart. You will find the corrected chart in this edition. You will probably want to clip it for use with the original article, and discard the one which appeared with the story.



GEORGE W. LINN

At A Meeting Of Central Florida ASDA Chapter

I attended the meeting of the Central Florida branch of the American Stamp Dealers' Assn. on Sunday February 8 at the home of Mr. C.M. Phillips, Jr. at Winter Haven, Fla. Mr. Phillips is president of the group. Mr. Peter G. Keller, executive secretary and Mr. Keffer, president of the national organization of the ASDA were in attendance.

Several matters were talked over by the group and among other things, Mr. Keller stated that a group of ASDA members and stamp dealers in Boston still insist that there were no counterfeits of this precancel.

This opinion is doubtless the result of lack of complete information on the subject by those gentlemen. I can assure all of them that if after examining what I have examined of this material, they should still cling to their opinion, then they need some education in the stamp business. A good stamp man who can not tell the difference between letter-press printing and offset lithography has a lot to learn. I was further informed that the question is going to be put before the Philatelic Foundation in New York and their opinion will certainly support my finding. There is but one other explanation that can account for these lithographed precancels and that is that the UN Postal Officials or someone in the UN Postal Service had the lithographs made and put into the market. This is of course denied by Mr. Tvedt, Chief of the UN Postal Service and I would not be one to dispute his statements.

Another matter that was discussed only briefly was my request to Mr. Keller for a Financial Statement from the American Stamp Dealers Assn. To satisfy this request Mr. Keller exhibited a couple copies of the ASDA Bulletin, one dated May 1958 on the back page of which is a very meager statement which shows as income, only the amount received from members for dues during the year of 1957. In addition to receipts for the year there are a number of items listed as expenses. The receipts amount to \$15,397.31. The expenditures amount to \$18,137.80. This allows a net loss of \$2,740.58.

With a loss of this sum, members must wonder who the angel is that is providing the cash to wipe out this deficit each year. We know of no business which could operate this way.

We inquired of Mr. Keller in this manner, "Mr. Keller, if you were a stockholder in a big corporation of some nature and they showed you a bit of figures such as were shown and told you that such was the financial statement for the year, would you be satisfied?"

I asked what was received for booth rental, catalogue advertising and for admissions to the ASDA National Postage Stamp Show. I was advised that this was not a part of the ASDA operation and did not enter into the matter. In other words, there must be someone who runs this show, someone who takes in the money and someone who disburses what must be disbursed. This show is represented as an ASDA National Postage Stamp Show. I have before me the catalog of the 7th ASDA National Postage Stamp Show. This was for 1955. It is therefore advertised as and represented as an ASDA show. This being so, the members of the ASDA have a right to know how much cash is taken in and how much is spent, or do those who manage this show just run it themselves and pocket the cash that is left over after the show each year? It is certain that it is a profitable business or it would have closed up years ago as the men who manage things would not continue the show unless it paid its own way. It is not possible that it just breaks even each year and due to such a situation is possible to operate. It certainly makes a profit and this profit should show up in the annual statement of the ASDA. It would appear over the past ten years that an accounting is due the members of the ASDA as this affair is represented as an ASDA show and the ASDA is we believe an organization other than a non-profit organization.

For years past, Mr. Keller has traveled from New York to New England, from New York to Florida, from New York to Chicago and from New York to California. We are certain that Mr. Keller does not pay for these trips out of his pocket and out of the goodness of his heart just to help stamp dealers. The cost of these trips is far above any figures that show up in the ASDA so called Financial Statements. Where does this money come from, who is footing the bills? If we can find these facts out we will know who holds the purse strings for the ASDA and where the money comes from and how much comes and if there is any left.

This annual show, of last year must have involved the receipt and expenditure of between \$30,000 and \$50,000. This income was for booths, for 70 pages of advertising in the program, for sale of several thousand programs and for admissions which were over 60,000. There must have been a substantial amount of money handled. We as members, and you as a member, are entitled to a complete financial statement covering this operation.

It would be my belief that the show belongs to the ASDA. If it does not belong to the ASDA then it should not be advertised as an ASDA show.

More stamps have been damaged in an effort to save the original gum than from any other cause.

Chicago Mayor Names Stamp Week

Stamp Collecting Week in Chicago has been proclaimed by Mayor Richard J. Daley as March 9-15. These dates will include those of the Midwest Postage Stamp Show being held at the La Salle Hotel March 13-15.

The United States Post Office Department will again have a substation at the affair with a special show cancellation and a complete stock of all stamps currently at the agency, including commemoratives.

The POD will also have one of its very interesting and rare displays of stamps from the philatelic division.

As has previously been announced, one of the main features will be the Noel Goldblatt collection of autographed stamps. A very unusual item is the block of four stamps of the United Nations Conference Issue autographed by Marshall Tito of Yugoslavia. He had originally refused to autograph the U. S. Overrun Nations flag stamp for Yugoslavia, because it showed the flag of Old Yugoslavia.

Philatelic Service Club In Palo Alto

The service club idea as applied to philately has proved so successful that after three months the Palo-Menlo Stamp Society of Palo Alto, Calif. has just closed its charter membership with 58 paid-up members. It started with a first meeting on October 20, and now it is meeting twice a month in the Conference Hall of the Palo Alto Chamber of Commerce.

The main goal of the group is service to its members through education, to the community by providing guidance for young people through school and recreation departments and publicity, so non-collectors may learn what all this is about. Fellowship, similar to the kind which service clubs such as Kiwanis and Lions provide, is emphasized.

Officers of the new organization are Dr. David Gallagher, president; Donald D. Wilson and Lawrence Brown, vice presidents; Beryl Paine, treasurer; William H. Condon, recording secretary; and Henri I. Baer, corresponding secretary. Collectors desiring information may contact Mr. Wilson at 360 Donohoe St., Palo Alto.

1959 STAMP PROGRAM

Feb. 25 — San Martin "Champions of Liberty" 4c and 8c, Washington, D. C. (4c, 70 per pane, 120 million; 8c, 72 per pane, 40 million).

Feb. 27 — Lincoln 3c, New York, N.Y. (50 per pane, 90 millions).

Mar. 16 — Hermitage 4½c regular, Hermitage, Tenn. (100 per pane).

April 4 — NATO 10th Year 4c, Washington, D. C.

April 6 — Polar Exploration 4c.

April 19 — World Peace Through World Trade 8c, Washington, D.C.

May 30 — Lincoln 4c commem., Washington, D. C. (50 per pane).

May or June — St. Lawrence Seaway 4c.

June 6 — Benjamin Harrison 12c regular, Oxford, Ohio.

June 17 — Bunker Hill 2½c regular, Boston, Mass.

Aug. 17 — Airmail Balloon 100th Year 7c, Lafayette, Ind.

Aug. 26 — Soil Conservation 4c, Rapid City, S. D. (50 per pane, 120 million).

Aug. 27 — Petroleum Industry 4c, Titusville, Pa.

Aug. 27 — Third Pan American Games 10c, Airmail, Chicago, Ill.

Sept. 14 — Dental Health 4c, New York, N. Y.

Details as to denomination, color and printings will be announced when available.

ALREADY ISSUED

C53 — Alaska Statehood Airmail 7c, Juneau, January 3.

1113 — Lincoln 1c, commem., Hodgenville, Ky., February 12.

1124 — Oregon Statehood 4c, Astoria, Ore.

UNITED NATIONS

March 30 — 4c and 8c General Assembly Bldg.

May 8 — 4c and 8c Economic Commission for Europe.

CANADA

Feb. 23 — McCurdy Flight Anniversary 5c.

Apr. 4 — NATO 10th Anniversary.

May — Associated Country Women of World.

June — Opening St. Lawrence Seaway.

June — Joint Canada-U. S. Seaway Issue.

— Partnership of Races, Quebec.

To obtain First Day Covers collectors may send a reasonable quantity each with a name and address, and enclosing a sticker to the Postmaster of the designated first day city with a request for FD service. Payment must accompany to cover the face value of the stamps to be affixed. For UN and Canadian first days, watch the news stories on these and follow instructions.

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Notes From The Italian Area

Pierson Ostrow

The Vatican's Coronation set will be issued March 10, to consist of four values — 25, 35, 60 and 100 Lire. The long delayed "Martyrs" set (6 stamps, with a total face value of 550L.) is to be released a week later. It will be followed, after another week's lapse, by a pair in honor of the Vatican's Radio Station. These three issues will be the first placed in circulation under the new pontificate.



Before these see the light, however, there will be a set of five from San Marino, depicting birds. The 5L. will show a pigeon, the 25L. a falcon, the 50L. a wild duck, the 65L. a swallow, and the 100L. a sea gull.



Meanwhile, Somalia's 5-Somali airmail stamp went on sale on February 2. Designed by U. Funaioli, it is printed by photogravure on star-watermarked laid paper, in panes of 50 subjects. Depicted is another in the "Gazelle" series, this one identified as a "Damaliscus Hunter". The color is gray and yellow. The Somalia Ministry of Posts provided both an official first day cover and a special first day cancel.

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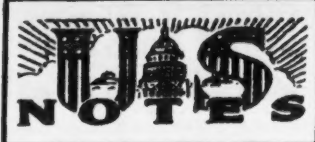
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It was quite interesting to learn that the Alaskan commemorative airmail of January 3 set a record. More first day covers were sent with this 7c stamp affixed than ever before for an airmail issue. The official Post Office Department figures claim that 489,752 of them went through the cancelling machine.

The previous high total was for the Alexandria Bicentennial commemorative of 1949, in a denomination of 6c.

There was no break-down of the figures telling where the covers went. It would be a good safe bet to state that a great many of them stayed right in our new state. People would want one whether they were collectors or not just to have a souvenir to show their families in years to come.

The Alaska total was larger than for some of the 3c and 4c commemoratives of 1958. Given an honest reason for the issuance of a stamp the philatelic fraternity will support it. Have something like the Gunston Hall, and the "odor" repels them.

1. The 3c "National Defense" stamp of 1940 has what four desirable categories in words in its design?

2. To what was the 1c "National Defense" stamp dedicated?

There seems to be confusion in the minds of some about the 8c Liberty of the Liberty Series. How can one tell them apart, and what about the plate numbers.

The stamp issued on April 9, 1954 in carmine and dark violet blue was printed on the rotary presses, and on the flat bed presses. Ordinarily it is easy to distinguish mint copies of each printing from the other. As for instance, rotary press stamps have the "gum-breaker" ridges on the back placed there to cut down on the panes of stamps sticking together. Flat press products have a flat surface, the gum just as unbroken as a pane of glass.

In this one instance, however, the backs of both present the smooth, unridged surface.

Another identification feature of most flat plate issues is that part of the design is offset on the back of the stamps. This comes about when one printed sheet is piled on top of another — the not-quite-dry ink of the bottom sheet printing its design on the back of the sheet placed on top of it. This, of course, did not occur with the 8c Liberty.

All that's left for telling which is which are the plate numbers. The Flat Plates have the following numbers with each plate block, the vignette number in carmine, and the frame number in dark blue —
Frame: 24912-3-4-5; 24926; 24929-30; 24932-3. Vignette: 24916-7-8-9-20; 24935-6-7; 24939. Now you will understand that any one frame number can be in combination with any of the Vignette ones.

The Rotary Plates are — Frame: 24923-4; 24928; 24940; 24942. Vignette: 24921-2; 24927; 24938.

In March of 1958 the 8c Liberty was reissued in the same colors, but the product of a different press. It is also easily distinguishable from its predecessors because of an altered design. Where the torch extended between "U.S." and "POSTAGE" of the former pair, it now was dropped so that the words are contiguous in the current product.

Printing of the March 1958 stamp was on the Giori Press which prints both colors from but one plate. Therefore, Giori printed 8-centers have only one plate number.

As far as value of the plate blocks goes, there are certain of the 1954 flat plate combinations which command a tidy premium. Most of the rest, Giori included, are normal in selling price.

Here are the results of the ten previous Design Derbies. You will note there have been some additions and deletions as far as categories of voting are concerned over the years, but the BEST and WORST have been with us always.

1948
BEST - Gettysburg, Rough Riders, Palomar
WORST - Turner, Fort Kearny.

1949
BEST - 25c U.P.U., Annapolis, Washington & Lee.
WORST - Poe, Puerto Rico, Alexandria.

1950
BEST - Freedom, Legislature, Executive.
WORST - Casey Jones, California, Indiana

LEAST NECESSARY - Bankers, Gompers, Casey Jones. (In this year was started the poll for the stamp which had the least reason to be issued in the opinion of the voters. This tabulation is carried as LEAST NECESSARY.)

11TH ANNUAL DESIGN DERBY

BEST DESIGN. Mark your 1st, 2nd and 3rd choices.
LEAST NECESSARY. Mark stamp with least cause to be issued.
WORST DESIGN. Mark the one design you believe is worst.
BELOW AVERAGE DESIGNS. Some of the designs are average and better according to artistic standards of picture, color and engraving. Mark only those which you believe are less than average in looks, either under POOR or BAD, depending how the artwork hits you.

	BEST DESIGN			LEAST NECESSARY (Choose one)	WORST DESIGN (Choose one)	DESIGNS BELOW AVERAGE IN LOOKS Use Your Judgment	
	1st	2nd	3rd			POOR	BAD
GARDENING							
BRUSSELS FAIR							
MONROE							
MINNESOTA							
IGY							
GUNSTON HALL							
MACKINAC BRIDGE							
BOLIVAR 4c							
BOLIVAR 8c							
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KOSSUTH 8c							
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1951
BEST - Nevada, Detroit, Chemical
WORST - Colorado, Confederate Veterans, Brooklyn

LEAST NECESSARY - Brooklyn, Chemical, Confederate.

APPROPRIATE DESIGN - Chemical, Nevada, Confederate. (In this year a new question was added which asked for the design which was most appropriate to the Subject commemorated or pictured).

1952
BEST - Red Cross, 80c Airmail, Bible.

WORST - Rushmore, NATO, Grand Coulee.

LEAST NECESSARY - B & O, Newsboys, AAA.

APPROPRIATE DESIGN - Red Cross, Bible, Engineers.

1953
BEST - New York, Perry, Gadsden.

WORST - Trucking, Ohio, Patton.

LEAST NECESSARY - Trucking, Sagamore, Bar Assn.

APPROPRIATE DESIGN - Sagamore, New York, Patton.

1954
BEST - Lewis & Clark, 8c Liberty, 4c Airmail.

WORST - Nebraska, Kansas, Special Delivery.

LEAST NECESSARY - 4c Airmail, Eastman, Columbia U.

APPROPRIATE DESIGN - Special Delivery, Columbia U., Lewis & Clark.

1955
BEST - Rotary, Peace Atoms, Soo Locks.

WORST - Ticonderoga, Colleges, Art Academy.

LEAST NECESSARY - Mellon, Stone Face, Art Academy.

1956
BEST - Antelope, Wheatland, Wild Turkey.

WORST - Pure Food, Nassau Hall, Franklin.

LEAST NECESSARY - Pure Food, Wheatland, Childrens.

BEST DESIGN NOT CONSIDERING COLOR - Wheatland, Labor Day, Wild Turkey.

1957
BEST - U. S. Flag, Whooping Crane, Magsaysay.

WORST - Polio, Oklahoma, Shipbuilding.

LEAST NECESSARY - Shipbuilding, Architects, Steel.

BEST DESIGN NOT CONSIDERING COLOR - Remonstrance, Whooping Crane, La Fayette.

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Only A Postcard, But -- It Changed Masonic Ritual

Ralph C. Huntington

On Sunday, December 7, 1941, the world was jolted and stunned by the shocking, sneak attack on Pearl Harbor. On Monday, December 8 a completely recovered and square jawed Congress declared war upon the Imperial Japanese Government.

On Tuesday, December 9 a Blue Lodge Master was to open his Masonic Lodge for the last meeting. Only the installation of his successor remained, before he would step down among the small but select group, known as Past Masters.

At nine o'clock that Tuesday morning, he was opening his mail — government mail from the Quartermaster Corps of the U. S. Army, from the Bureau of Ships and Supply of the Navy, from mills and factories who were supplying raw material for war contracts, pleas from commercial customers for merchandise. Sandwiched in among these large, official envelopes, he came across a picture postcard, one of many he had received from various camps, in a familiar, irregular hand.

He flipped it over to read the usual short, cherry greetings from his Junior Steward. He smiled for the first time in 48 hours, as the words took on the familiar, deep, corner-of-the-mouth tones of the youngest member of his Official Line Officers.

Freddie was the youngest of his family, all of whom were Master Masons. They were famous around the Temple as the family who could fill every station of a Blue Lodge, without leaving the family living room. Freddie was the baby, just 21, and his appointment to the Line was a forgone conclusion on the night that he was raised to the Third Degree. He was drafted a few months later.

Suddenly the postmark on that picture postcard stood out like a neon light. Hickham Field — Pearl Harbor — Thanksgiving Day. Hickham Field—it was Sunday's target! Hickham Field was the air base that had been turned into a shambles Sunday, just two days ago. Freddie — the baby of the family the hard-fisted young sheetmetal worker, the Junior Steward—Hickham Field.

Those big official envelopes, somehow, lost their importance, their significance, their priority. With a wave of horror and reality, this outgoing Master slowly lost his equanimity, his quiet air of authority, his sense of value and justice.

Hickham Field was suddenly just outside his office window. Freddie was lying there, dead or wounded, perhaps horribly mangled—his Freddie, the baby of his lodge, the baby of his Line, the baby of the family. War had suddenly struck home with an indescribable impact that all the streamer headlines, all the flag waving, all the square, unsmiling jaws had failed to produce.

As the first horrible reaction wore off, under the relentless pressure of seven factories producing war contracts, his thoughts of the meeting that night kept filtering in: the last meeting of his year; he would be reading that postcard to his lodge in a few hours.

Freddie's father and brothers and uncles would be sitting there, looking at him. Perhaps they would hear the news for the first time from his lips; it was going to be tough. Could he conduct the meeting and carry on the work to be done? Suppose he broke under the nervous strain and tension — that postcard, Hickham Field postmarked on Thanksgiving Day — received just two days after Pearl Harbor.

By five o'clock a pattern had begun to emerge. It meant a change in the floor work of the Masonic ritual. Ritual, in fraternal orders, is not changed, even by a Master. There was no time now, to contact the Grand Master.

But that postcard — mailed from Hickham Field, and Hickham Field had been blown off the map. His Freddie had been there when it happened and ritual or no ritual, the enormity of the thing must be recorded in some more impressive manner than a mere announcement. He had discussed it with a member who happened in late that afternoon. They had agreed upon the change.

It was a grim faced group of Masons, who assembled that evening. Men didn't smile. Their brows were furrowed, their eyes, hard. They spoke in monosyllables. The Master called his Organist and Senior Deacon to one side, instructed them in low but authoritative tones that brooked no comment or advice.

He rapped his lodge to order and opened it as usual. But instead of the regular devotional hymn the organ broke, full throated, into the National Anthem. Heads turned suddenly and eyes focused on the set face of the Master. As the last note slowly faded away in the vaulted roof, the Senior Deacon turned and grasped the staff of the American Flag, whose honor and permanent position was always at the right of the Master.

He bore it slowly and proudly to the Altar, where he was joined by the Senior Steward and Freddie's substitute. It was slowly dipped di-

rectly over the open Bible, by a visiting Master Sergeant member in full dress uniform, who had dropped in while on leave and who was filling the Senior Deacon's place.

The Master requested the Oath of Allegiance to the Flag of the puzzled lodge, who never the less responded to this change of ritual without a murmur. Upon the return of the Flag to its accustomed position he read the fateful postcard and a telegram which he had composed and addressed to President Franklin D. Roosevelt. It pledged their aid and assistance in this, his time of need.

He also assumed full personal responsibility to the Grand Lodge of Maryland for the change in procedure that he had ordered and assured the Lodge that he would personally accept any censure which might be meted out. The meeting was closed as it had been opened and Freddie's little picture postcard was filed among the archives of the lodge.

The following morning, promptly at nine o'clock, the Patriarch of the Past Masters, who had occupied the East in that same lodge in 1898, phoned the Master to suggest that the Grand Master could send the telegram in the name of 35,000 Masons in the state, rather than the six hundred members of the lodge. The Grand Master was called and informed of the circumstances and happenings of the previous evening. He graciously declined the offered privilege and asked for a full and complete written report.

After consultation with the Grand Lecturer, General Order No. 6 was dispatched to all subordinate lodges in the state, ordering them to institute the changed procedure for the duration. The Master was given full credit and commendation at the next semiannual meeting of the Grand Lodge the following May.

Through every facility of the War Department, the Red Cross, the Salvation Army and scores of personal appeals through Senators and Congressmen, Freddie was ultimately located many months later, in a POW camp in Japan. Starvation, the dreaded beri-beri, physical abuse, including the horrible forced water treatment torture failed to break his undying faith in God, his national loyalty, his Masonic teachings, his iron constitution, or his fighting determination to live to occupy the Master's Chair.

This is the true life story of the American Flag Ritual in modern Masonry as initiated by Warren Lodge and as recorded in the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Maryland. This is the first time that this background story has been made public. This story reveals the Masonic significance of the 4c U.S. Flag stamp issued July 4, 1957.

This stamp stands high in the favor of both Masons and philatelists. It was withdrawn from sale at the Philatelic Agency last fall probably in anticipation of President Eisenhower's decree of January 3 on the design for a new flag following the admission of Alaska to statehood. It is, however still easily obtainable at some post offices or any stamp shop.

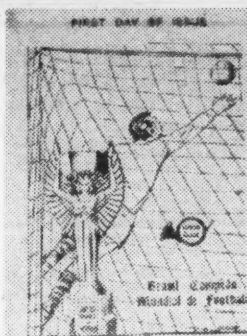
The Flag, the National Anthem, and Francis Scott Key were honored by a 3c rose stamp issued in 1948 (Scott No. 962). It recalls the stirring events which took place at Ft. McHenry in defense of Baltimore when the British attacked on September 13, 1814. Francis Scott Key was aboard a truce ship eight miles below the fort. On the 14th, he saw the Flag flying "by the dawn's early light" and on the 15th, he drafted "The Star-Spangled Banner."

The Flag proudly flying over the fort was made by Mary Pickersgill of Baltimore, according to the Maryland Department of Information. It is depicted on the stamp along with the 1948 Flag and the portrait of Francis Scott Key.

The U. S. and Texas Flags are depicted in the 3c blue stamp of 1945 (No. 938). The earliest appearance of Old Glory was on the 30c blue and carmine stamp issued in 1869. The flags are sometimes found printed inverted on this stamp in which case it is worth \$4000 to \$8000.

In honor of the 150th anniversary of the U. S. Constitution, the American Flag is depicted on the stamps of El Salvador and of China. It is also depicted on the Paraguay and the Brazilian U. S. Vth Army issues of 1945, the Roosevelt stamps of Ethiopia, and the 1947 Centenario Del Francobollo U. S. issue of San Marino.

The Flag stamp is also honored in the "The American Ode" written by Marx Kahn, a 33rd degree



WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP RECOGNITION. In 1958 the Brazilian team won the world championship of football (soccer). The victory inspired the postal administration to prepare a single stamp as a tribute to the team and its success. It is a 3.30Cr. with a yellow green background and the football-player, wording and denomination in red. The trophy is behind the player. The day of issue was January 20. Of note is the FD cancel used which is somewhat different from the heavy style used for recent releases. Manoel F. da Motta, Largo do Machado 11, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil sent the cover.

Mason. On the annual pilgrimage to the tomb of George Washington, Mr. Kahn delivers this ode. It is presented here for those who wish to include it in their writeup for the U. S. Flag stamp.

The American Ode
Behold the Emblem of our Country — the Greatest Flag of the Greatest Nation in the World!
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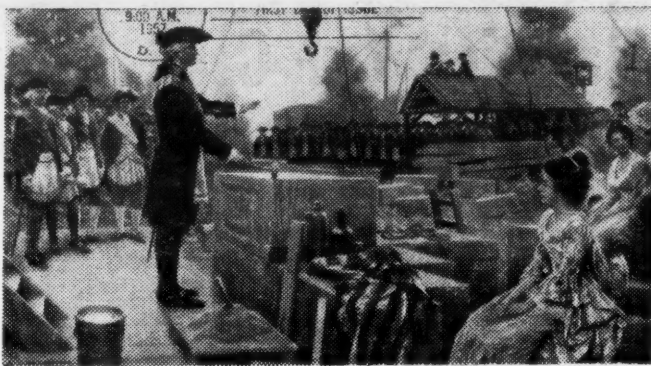
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GEORGE WASHINGTON
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of democracy and the principles of Masonry.

In the formative period of this nation, when men had decided views on government, it was necessary for leaders to surround themselves with men whom they could trust. When an important post was to be filled, or an important message was to be delivered, Washington often selected a man as much for his Masonic affiliations as for his ability, because living his Masonry, he looked for others to live their Masonry also.

**George Washington**
Master Mason

It was two years after Washington completed receiving his degrees in "Old Fredericksburg Lodge" that he transferred his residence to Mount Vernon.

On June 24, 1874, Washington joined with the Alexandria Lodge in celebrating the festival of St. John the Baptist. On the same occasion the lodge made him an honorary member but it was not until he was made Master that he became an active member. He held dual membership and continued all his life as a member of No. 4 at Fredericksburg, Va.

Alexandria Lodge was notified that Pennsylvania had become an independent Grand Lodge and was therefore reorganizing. It asked the lodge to return its charter, after which (as the custom was) it would receive a new one. Due to the fact that the lodge was going to have a change anyhow, it used the opportunity to seek a charter from the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

Virginia granted a charter on April 28, 1788, and named George Washington as its first Master. Sixteen years later, in 1804, the name of the lodge was changed to Alexandria-Washington Lodge.

When the time for election of officers came, Washington was reelected Master of his lodge, serving a total of 20 months. He was succeeded by his close friend and private physician, Dr. Elisha Dick, later to be at his side when the cornerstone was laid at the Capitol, and at his bedside when he died.

During Washington's 22 years of Masonry, the crowning event was the laying of the cornerstone of the National Capitol. Washington walked in a stately procession of unrivaled brilliance and wore America's most famous Masonic apron. In his library at Mt. Vernon, Washington had two aprons. Which did he choose?

At the laying the cornerstone of the Capitol extension on July 4, 1851, B. B. French, Grand Master of the District of Columbia, wore the Watson & Cassoul apron. He stated explicitly that Washington had worn it in 1793. George Washington Parke Curtis examined the apron while French was wearing it, and declared it to be the Watson & Cassoul. This apron is kept in a glass case in the museum of the George Washington National Memorial in Alexandria, Va.

In 1784 LaFayette came to America and visited Washington at Mount Vernon. On this visit LaFayette presented Washington a Masonic apron of white satin background, with the emblems of Masonry delicately delineated with needlework of colored silk. This apron was beautifully made by Madame LaFayette and is the other apron kept by Washington during his lifetime in his library at Mount Vernon. This apron is now at the headquarters of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, Pa.

The Holy Bible on which Washington took all three Masonic obligations is kept in a fireproof vault, within the lodge room at Fredericksburg. It is protected by a covering of strong glass and can be seen at any regular communication of the lodge.

On a few exceptions it has been taken to Masonic gatherings to grace the proceedings. Whenever it is taken from the lodge at Fredericksburg it travels under guard. The Minute Book of the lodge shows the entry of Washington's three steps in Masonry. This is also kept in the lodge room with the Holy Bible.

While Master of Alexandria Lodge Washington took a large Chippendale chair from his library at Mount Vernon and presented it to the lodge. It has been used for 118 years but now is only used on special occasions and at the annual installation of officers. This chair is housed in the museum of the George Washington National Memorial.

The trowel and working tools used by Washington at the laying of the cornerstone of the Capitol in 1793, also belong to Washington-Alexandria Lodge. The trowel is silver with an ivory handle. It cannot be used or taken from the lodge room unless every member receives due notice and with two-thirds majority voting at a regular communication. President Eisenhower recently used this trowel to lay the cornerstone of the new State Department Building in Washington, D. C.

The gavel used by Washington at the cornerstone ceremonies is kept in the main vault of the Riggs National Bank of Washington, D. C. It was presented by Washington after the ceremonies to the two lodges of the District of Columbia (now Potomac and Federal Lodge).

In 1793 Alexandria Lodge requested General Washington, then President and living in Philadelphia, to sit for a picture, and employed William J. Williams to execute the work. Washington approved the likeness, and late in 1794 it was received from the artist and accepted by the lodge.

The picture is devoid of idealism, the artist's instructions being, "Paint him as he is." This Mr. Williams appears to have done, bringing out in bold relief several blemishes which the general is known to have possessed, and which are shown in a modified form, if at all, by other artists.

It is well worth the trip to George Washington National Memorial to see this portrait. It was used in 1932 for the 9c George Washington Bicentennial stamp.

During his lifetime Washington had many honors bestowed upon him. Many others were offered that he could not accept, especially that of Grand Master and General Grand Master. He did accept honorary membership in other lodges, but did not demit from his Fredericksburg Lodge.

The old clock in the Museum of the National Memorial at Alexandria is the bedchamber clock of George Washington. On his death, Doctor Elisha Dick, Master of No. 22, and one of the attending physicians, cut the pendulum cord and stopped the old timepiece at 10 minutes after 10 p.m.

After the funeral Mrs. Washington presented the clock to Dr. Dick for the lodge. "Its work is done, but the hands still point to the minute and hour that mark the close of the greatest life in history."

The reports of the Grand Lodge of Virginia shows that Fredericksburg Lodge No. 4, was the only lodge reporting the death of Brother George Washington.

This prayer was written by George

Washington in 1783 at Newburgh, N. Y., and copies were sent to all the governors of the states. In this year was signed the Treaty of Paris, the official termination of the Revolutionary War. How appropriate it is to our present day living!

WASHINGTON'S PRAYER
for the
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Almighty GOD, we make our earnest prayer, that, THOU wilt keep the UNITED STATES in THY Holy protection:

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That THOU wilt graciously be pleased to dispose us all to do justice, to love mercy, and to demean ourselves with that charity, humility and pacific temper of mind which were the characteristics of the Divine Author of our blessed religion and, without a humble imitation of Whose example in these things, we can never hope to be a happy nation.

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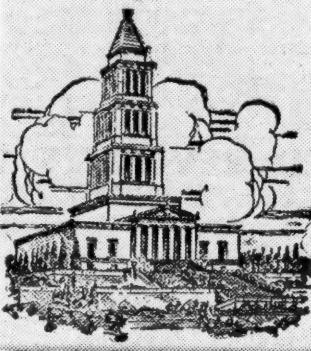
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The George Washington Masonic National Memorial

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The George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexandria, Va. is the first endeavor on the part of all the Grand Lodges of the nation to honor George Washington, the Father of our Country, as a Mason. It is on the site first selected in 1790 for the placing of the U. S. Capitol in the newly formed District of Columbia. On an elevation of 108 feet, the memorial is 331 feet high. Ground was broken June 5, 1922, the cornerstone laid November 1, 1923, and the Memorial dedicated May 12, 1932.

All Masons should visit the Memorial, and see the wonderful achievement for themselves. Situated as it is, half-way between the Capitol and Mount Vernon, Washington's home, on a hill overlooking history laden Alexandria and the Potomac River, it dominates the scene for miles around. The importance and majesty of its position make it a beacon for airplane travel and it is fast becoming the crossroads of all Freemasonry.



The George Washington Masonic National Memorial at Alexandria, Va.

Its reverence is felt by visiting brethren from all states and from foreign countries. Many thousands visit the Memorial annually, and hardly a day ever passes that does not bear testimony of what it means to those who visit it for the first time.

Individuals make known their approval and visiting Lodges keep a running schedule of week-end pilgrimages during most of the year, bringing busloads of brethren to hold special meetings in our Masonic Shrine.

To the rear of the Memorial is our large Auditorium where the annual meetings of the association are held on every Washington's Birthday. On these occasions, Grand Masters from all of the Grand Lodges, Grand Secretaries and other Masonic Dignitaries, together with many foreign Masonic leaders, attend. Any Master Mason is welcome to meet with us and be present.

A large Moller Organ, the gift of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, sends forth its beautiful music during these meetings and on stated occasions. On the wall back of our 16 golden vein marble columns, are 13 bronze plaques of our Masonic Presidents.

On the first floor are the Shrine Museum Rooms which show the Shrine's articles and dioramas of Crippled Children's Hospitals. In the large assembly room is the beautiful Royal Meshed Shrine Rug. It is approximately 30 by 50 feet in one piece, more than 300 years old. It is valued at \$1,000,000 and is insured for \$100,000. It was given by Brother Sarkis H. Nahigian of Chicago, in February 1948, a short time before his death the following September.

In presenting the rug, Brother Nahigian said: "I say these words with gratitude, faith and pride. Gratitude to the generation of hard-working and God-fearing men and women who came to this new country to make a home for freedom. Faith that the democracy they built will never die. Pride, that my chance has come to show my appreciation for being an American."

"I am proud, and justifiably so, that I am an American. I am an American because I have dreamed the dream of the founders of this democracy and because I have a share in every act of faith that made their dreams come true."

"I donate this carpet in grateful appreciation of all the unlimited privileges and friendship and support I have enjoyed in this blessed United States of America, and not among the least of these, it is my privilege of being a Mason."

"It is also an expression of what George Washington, and what he stands for, mean to me personally. May our hearts be filled with deepest gratitude to God for having given George Washington to America. God bless America."

meditation and prayer. Soft organ music plays while the visitor views the four stained glass windows: the Crucifixion, the Ascension above the Altar, the Sermon on the Mount, and Christ Healing the Blind. This room was sponsored by the Grand Encampment, K. T.

The seventh floor is the Cryptic Room. It shows the nine arches, secret vault and several murals. A voice on sound track explains the room. Funds were received from Royal and Select Masters of the Grand Councils. The sixth is the library which is not yet in operation. Funds for this room were received from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. The fifth floor is the Royal Arch Room with the Holy of Holies and a mural of the Temple in Ruins. Funds were furnished by Royal Arch Masons of the Grand Chapters.

The fourth is our General Museum Room and will house surplus valuable possessions of the association and Alexandria-Washington Lodge, while the third is the Grotto Museum Room for which funds were provided by the Supreme Council, Mystic Order of the Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm.

As the Memorial is sponsored by all of the Grand Lodges in the United States, they are the active members of the association and control this body.

When the association was formed in 1911, the founders were of the opinion that every Master Mason would welcome the opportunity and come forward with his small contribution to express his appreciation of what Washington, as a Mason, meant to him personally, and that it would be unnecessary for any Grand Lodge to give of its general funds which would be needed for other purposes.

Although the Memorial is about completed, our task is a little more than half finished, as we must raise

a suitable endowment fund for maintenance and operation. As we have more than four million brethren in our Grand Lodges, a small contribution from each one of us would accomplish this purpose and the future of our National Masonic Memorial to Washington would be safe for all time.

Masons are just as generous as anyone else, and I am sure that if the membership in each Grand Lodge were alerted, these contributions would be forthcoming.

As our annual meeting in 1958, the president of the association said "I am firmly convinced that once the story of the Memorial has reached every individual Mason, our financial troubles will be over. We have practically reached the point where the building is completed and our problem from now on is its operation and maintenance. Until we have an endowment fund of four million dollars, we are going to have to worry about funds with which to operate."

The founders of the Memorial could not have selected a more beautiful or appropriate site for such a tribute honoring George Washington, the Mason, and George Washington, the Father of his Country. Every Mason should visit and see it for himself, and thus deepen his reverence for Masonry and at the same time experience a strengthening force given to his patriotism and love of country. The Memorial is alive and vibrant. It represents the strength of unity of Masonry. With such an achievement to the credit of the craft, it is reasonable to believe that all Master Masons will want to aid their own worthy cause, and bring our magnificent endeavor to a glorious finish.

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THE DAN BISHOP STORY

His name was Dan Bishop—no relation whatsoever to Mark Bishop, that brilliant, philatelic columnist and crystal-ball gazer whose monthly epistles we are sure you have read. But like his famous namesake, Dan was also a believer in mystic signs and was, it is said, somewhat of a prophet (and prophets are after all comparatively rare).

I want to tell you the story of Dan, the stamp dealer, because it could happen to all of us, in fact everyone who deals or collects stamps. It is a serious story that should not be taken too lightly.

If you look over your collection, you are almost certain to find that you have some specimens of Germany Scott 637. You see we came into this story when we supplied Dan with several sheets of this particular stamp, just in the normal course of business. The stamp of course is of that well known painting "Mona Lisa" by Leonardo da Vinci. Seldom a decade passes without this priceless treasure, the joy and pride of the Louvre, coming into the news. People travel from near and far to see this picture for themselves; and it is said to be the most sublime expression in all art of the baffling enigma known as woman. Everything about it breathes romance. What lies behind that sphinx-like countenance? Is she smiling? If so, at what? I think it was J. B. Morton who said she is murmuring: "On your way, Sailor," while others see merely boredom in her expression.

The picture has seen many a troubled past. The Duke of Buckingham fell completely in love with it and many attempts have been made to steal it so that at one time it was removed from public exhibition. In fact before the First World War, it was stolen and remained untraced for nearly three years. Then a few years ago, a man driven crazy by the continuous contemplation of the smile, slashed it with a razor, and as you probably all know poor Mona was attacked again later by the Bolivian gentleman armed with a stone. Fortunately, the damage was slight and effectively repaired, to the relief of millions of admirers.

Since the sixteenth century, this countenance has troubled so many. Therefore it is not surprising that stamps bearing this picture should trouble a stamp dealer called Dan Bishop. Dan wrote and told us that the sheets of stamps were driving him crazy! Then, for a while, there was silence, and it came as a great surprise to us when our correspondent informed us that Dan had passed on to celestial quarters. Did the portrait on these stamps torment this dealer as they have done with men in centuries past? However, despatches are not explicit on this point except to say that the sheets were still intact in his stock, which we were privileged to purchase. You can have from Dan's stock four distinct parcels.

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STORY OF THE TITLED LADY

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I like to buy anything unusual and anything where there is the spirit of a gamble and I was willing to put my 12/6 in an envelope and take a chance. I bought many good lots and some gambles did not pay off as good as others, but this advertisement, "Correspondence of a Titled Lady," seemed to be a little upgrading. Titled lady—phooey! I thought the matter over for the rest of the weekend, but by Tuesday I could not resist and put my 12/6 in an envelope and sent for this accumulation of stamps from the aristocracy.

Then began the period of suspense that follows a gamble. Each day I eagerly awaited the postman. The fifth day I was getting quite impatient, but by the following Monday the honourable lady's stamps duly arrived. The element of mystery and suspense had ended. I eagerly cut the string—and what did I find!

Well, first of all, it was the correspondence from a titled lady, complete covers—the address showed that—not that that in itself added any value or interest to the stamps, but it was a very unusual accumulation. I wrote immediately for the remaining stock but to my great disappointment it had been sold. However, about two weeks later I heard again from the advertiser—June 22nd to be exact.

This letter contained something that marked the beginning of one of the greatest offers that has ever been made to a stamp dealer. It is really a story with a moral. He mentioned my interests to a friend...

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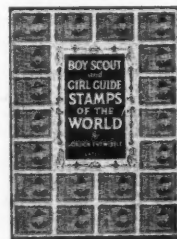
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Shown above is one of a pair of unusual souvenir folders issued by Haiti in connection with the October 22 release of the special commemorative issue marking the first anniversary of the accession to the presidency of Dr. Francis Duvalier. This folder bears the four regulars on the right page and the four airmails on the left, along with the special cancellation and the President's autograph at top center.

Values are, regulars: 10c black on violet, 50c on green, 1 Gourde on orange brown, and 5G. on buff brown. Airmails are 50c black on dark rose, 2.50G. on buff, 5G. on pink, and 7.50G. on green. The President's portrait is in black in every instance.

The front of the folder bears the same portrait of the President, on a blue background, with "PREMIER / ANNIVERSAIRE / INSTALLATION / 24 OCTOBRE 1958" in outlined letters. A second folder not illustrated contains the two three-value souvenir sheets, one perf, the other imperf. Each is made up of the three top values of the respective regular and airmail sets, duly canceled, and autographed by the President. The illustration is slightly less than half original size. Future collections of Haiti will feature these items as show piece de luxe.

Foundation Hits Regumming Offer

A recent commercial announcement in the philatelic press offers a service (to collectors only) whereby stamps will be regummed for a fee. This will undoubtedly provide food for thought to all serious stamp collectors, many hundreds of whom support the Philatelic Foundation, and many thousands more of whom use the service provided by the Foundation.

As a chartered educational institution, the Philatelic Foundation operates an expertizing service which is acknowledged throughout the world. The scientific research and study of philately to which the Foundation devotes its efforts, include the deep study and analysis of paper, gum, printing and perforation in the interest of all stamp lovers and students.

The malpractice of regumming, reperfing and repairing postage stamps for collectors has led to the establishment of such expert committees as exist on both the American and European continents. They are operated under the auspices of such substantial institutions as the Philatelic Foundation, New York, and the Royal Philatelic Society and the British Philatelic Assn., London, England.

These organizations have set up at public demand, and at considerable expense, time and effort, central committees of philatelic authorities for the examination of postage stamps, in order that many of the malpractices that have crept into the hobby will be discouraged.

While the Foundation is in no way commercially interested or inclined, this institution feels its strong moral obligation to voice a protest on behalf of the stamp collecting world for the following reasons:

Certain unused stamps command a premium if offered with gum. It has been stated that some items accompanied by a Philatelic Foundation certificate of genuineness command a premium above similar examples offered without such a certificate. Therefore the Philatelic Foundation feels compelled to support the large section of stamp collectors and dealers who manifest faith and trust in this institution, and to appeal to all amateur, professional and literary philatelists, as a public service, to strongly discourage this form of "improvement".

More collectors are joining our ranks daily. As in every other hobby, stamp collectors learn by experience, and the more they learn, the more avid they become for greater knowledge. But what of those with lesser experience, who find that the premium they have paid for stamps with "gum" has really been an expensive outlay?

If and when they come to sell, they will find that their return on such items is well below the average. It is not difficult to imagine that such a regumming service will seriously undermine philately, even causing more and more collectors to leave our ranks, to the complete detriment of philately in the future.

If this regumming service is allowed to flourish, is it out of the realm of possibility that the next "service" to philately will offer "re-perforating", "re-perfing" and "re-storing" - for a fee?

New Location Set For Detroit Stamp Exhibition

Due to conditions resulting from the January 17 fire at Detroit's Hotel Tuller, the 45th annual exhibition and bourse of the Michigan Stamp Club on February 27-March 1 has been changed to the Hotel Ft. Wayne, 408 Temple Ave., Detroit 1, Mich.

There will be no change in the

Clearfield Club Has King-Size Stamp Sale

A unique enterprise has been initiated by a group of collectors in Clearfield, Pa. The local Chapter No. 114 of the American Philatelic Society is holding a mail auction to dispose of members' duplicates and surplus material, and some exceptional items from their collections.

The stamps are mostly United States, with some seldom seen material such as Scotts No. 19 with bottom selvage attached, and No. 21 also unused. Included is a fine selection of early 19th century, as well as wholesale lots.

There are several White Plains sheets, and 5c red errors on blocks of nine and twelve, and a large selection of mint sheets.

Owing to the fact that each of the members listed his own material before making a master list, there is a certain amount of duplication.

This is the sixth time in 20 years that the Clearfield club has held a mail auction. The group reports that it is a great deal of work, inspiration and fun, and suggests that this type of project would greatly stimulate the interest of collectors in other chapters and clubs. Also, it would free capital for the purchase of material for a new specialty or toward completing a present project. The Chapter's auction list will be found on a full page elsewhere in this issue of Linn's.

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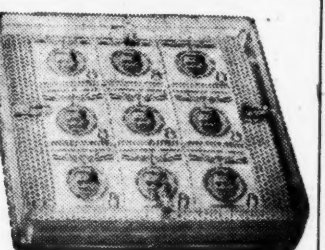
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These four stamps issued by Poland November 11, 1938 served as an "open letter" to the world that her answer to Hitler-mad Germany six days later would be defiance. The common design shows Polish merchants selling wheat in the seaport of Gdansk in the 16th century. Values are in groszy; colors are red orange, red brown, dull violet, and bright ultramarine, respectively (Scott Nos. 1K33-36).

Four Polish Stamps Foretold World War II

Joseph A. Borkowski

The year 1938 was a period of fear and political frustration, for no nation on the European continent knew when and where it would be approached by Hitler's Wehrmacht and/or his vaunted diplomatic corps. With the Munich Pact in the files the Hitlerites turned their propaganda pressure on Poland and the Free City of Danzig.

On October 24, 1938 the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Joachim von Ribbentrop, under Hitler's direction approached the Polish Ambassador Josef Lipski and invited him to Berchtesgaden, "for discussion on Danzig and the complex corridor problem." He also suggested that the Free City of Danzig should be turned over to the German Reich, adding that such a "constructive step" would solve all pretensions between Germany and Poland.

The political atmosphere over the world was tense as Ambassador Josef Lipski returned to Warsaw to form a reply as to the Polish Government's position. As he and the Polish Government officials were preparing a formal answer, the Polish Ministry of Posts and Telegraph was instructed to print a Gdansk series of stamps on November 11, 1938 depicting the old City of Danzig and Danzig scenes dating to the 16th century when Danzig was under the Polish domination.

To an average philatelist the four adhesives were just another printing and hardly anything to attract interpretive significance. However one versed in psychotellisis readily finds they are full of analyses that relate to the political events in the making.

To the Polish Government and Poles the stamp served a definite purpose—to reveal and prepare philatelically the general thinking of the Poles as to its stand on the Danzig question. The series tells of the historical past of the Gdansk and the Polish domination of its political thinking. It emphasizes Danzig's economic dependence dating back to the year 970 when Gdansk was established in the Baltic area as the leading port. The series also told the Hitlerites that as in past, even so in 1938, Poland regarded Gdansk as an integral part of herself. As far as Poles were concerned their case was stated and now it was up to Germany.

When Polish Ambassador Lipski returned to Berlin for the second and crucial conference November 17, 1938 and presented the official Polish reply Minister von Ribbentrop was well informed beforehand of what the formulated reply would state. In his memoirs he states, "I then referred briefly to the recent issue of postage stamps which were intended for traffic with Danzig and described the City as Polish."

The die was cast and the inevitable followed—the World War II.

"Masonry In Philately" Leads Adventurer Beyond Perforated Boundaries Of "Just Stamps"

George B. Clark

At this time I am inclined to talk briefly about some of my own work in Masonic philately, in the hope that some other collectors may be able to take up where I leave off and carry on. With this in mind, suppose we start by referring to the Masonic stamp studies contained in my brochure "A Masonic Stamp Collection" which was published in June 1948 by the Masonic Service Assn. of Washington, D. C.

In this, I endeavored to ascertain what stamps had been issued by the U. S. Post Office Department which carried portraits of prominent men whom we know to be Masons. Sometimes it was other than a portrait but would have some reference to a Mason or some Masonic event.

Some examples of this are stamps showing the White House at Washington, D. C., the home for a period of many Masonic Presidents. Others depict the United States Capitol building, also in Washington. The cornerstone was laid September 18, 1795 by George Washington.

The scheme adopted for the book was to first examine the records of the Presidents of the United States and ascertain which of them were Freemasons, then to secure such stamps as carried their images. I would prepare a short sketch of his life story and something of his work and then set down the Masonic record. Not all the Presidents were Masons; some were rabid anti-Masons.

After recording the data concerning the Presidents, I consulted the publication of the POD which listed the names of all persons whose portraits had appeared on U. S. stamps. A close study of the list against known Masonic records pointed out those who were Masons. Each was then written up with his stamp photo, life story, his activities, and his Masonic record.

This was completed as of the date when the booklet was published. Since then the POD has issued several stamps commemorating men who were Masons. Among those can be noted the name of General Lafayette; Gutzon Borglum, the sculptor; James Gadsden of Gadsden Purchase fame; Meriwether Lewis and William Clark of the Lewis and Clark explorer expedition; Carl Schurz (German stamp) the German-American statesman; Charles Willson Peale, the artist; Andrew W. Mellon, the financier; and Stephen A. Douglas, the "Little Giant" famous politician.

All the above concerned only Masons in the United States. However, the study should be extended to for-

eign countries. I have over 250 items in my foreign Masonic stamp collection. This part has never been published for obvious reasons.

A side issue of this study is a collection of Masonic first day covers, of which there are many. One such was the FDC of the Garden and Horticultural Clubs item of March 15, 1958 on the 100th anniversary of the birth of Liberty Hyde Bailey. The cover carries this note by Mahdeen the printer:

"Liberty Hyde Bailey (1858-1954) was the organizer and first Dean of the College of Agriculture at Cornell University. He developed the nation's first extension program of work among farmers. He was a member of Hobasco Lodge No. 716, F. & A. M., Ithaca, N. Y."

We also look out for peculiar Masonic cancellations such as Square and Compasses, Crosses and Star. Many of these were cut from cork and used by individual postmasters to cancel out stamps.

Later, the circular device printed by machine came into use and here is a chance to collect such postmarks as have Masonic connotation. This may be in connection with the name of the city: Washington, D. C.; Mason City, Iowa; Lafayette, Ind.; Jefferson City, Mo.

There is another very interesting Masonic stamp study. It is that of finding stamps that would illustrate some feature of the Masonic Ritual or some Masonic building. There are the "47th Problem of Euclid" represented on a stamp of Greece; the "Beehive" on a Romanian item; and the "All Seeing Eye" on one from Egypt.

The "Book of Constitution guarded by a Tyler's Sword" is shown on stamps of Greece and Bolivia, while many others illustrate the Bible. One adhesive issued by New South Wales carries the caption "But The Greatest of these is Charity". I have 90 of these citations in my study. One must watch for references to such Masonic bodies as Lodges, Chapters,

Councils, Commanderies, Temples, and like names.

A Masonic collection can be made of ordinary postage stamps which have some Masonic significance. In the case of persons, we accompany each picture with a short sketch of the life and activities of the person(s) as well as his Masonic record. We begin with U. S. stamps because they are familiar and easily obtainable. The U. S. POD publishes a booklet which describes all of them ever issued.

Having the U. S. Masonic collection in hand, it is advisable to study the foreign Masonic situation because in most of the foreign countries many Masons have been honored by portraits on stamps. The Pan-American Union in Washington, D. C. published a series of booklets on individuals depicted on the stamp of Latin American countries which would be helpful.

Something to watch for when studying old U. S. stamps is the Masonic cancellation. There are instances of early postmasters using canceling devices which are variations of the Square and Compasses idea, the Trowel, the Six-pointed Star of David, and the Anchor. Some of these cancellations are very valuable, regardless of the cheapness of the stamp on which they may be encountered.

What to include in a Masonic collection is for each collector to decide. The point here made is that what is complete from one collector's standpoint may be incomplete according to the formula of his brother. The present study, however, seems the more, rather than the less, interesting in that it is not complete. Thus it may lead others to extend it, or inspire fellow Masonic philatelists to make their own collections with more inclusive formulae.

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All material listed in this Sale has been entered by members of Chapter 114, and as a result there are some duplications.

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EXAMINE THE LOTS BELOW - AN EXCEPTIONALLY
FINE SALE - MOSTLY UNITED STATES

1	#1 Tied with 5 Cut into at B 3 margins	450.00	95	#210 213 (2) PEALE CLEARFIELD COUNTY P.M. Lot Cancels	35.00	343	#733 Byrd F-VF	175.00	478	New Zealand Cardboard Proof Bk (4) First Iss. VF	47.73
2	#2 Pair cancel inch pen mark Margins VP appearance	25.00	96	#212 One (350) Copies Fine Lot Cancels	35.00	344	#736 Maryland F-VF P.M.	175.00	479	United States Officials Collection 1883-93 Some Fancy Cancels Stars Shields etc.	78.00
3	#3 Strip 2 P Marg Recut once T trice B Pen can	45.00	97	#213 Two Gns. (650) Copies VG-VF	30.00	345	#738 Maryland VF	175.00	480	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
4	#4 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	98	#214 Three (19) Copies Mostly Defects	71.25	346	#742 Connecticut VF	175.00	481	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
5	#5 10 Gm III Large Marg OG VF	65.00	99	#215 Three (19) Copies Mostly Defects	71.25	347	#742a Connecticut VF	175.00	482	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
6	#6 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	100	#216 Five OG rich Color. (2) G	5.50	348	#742b Connecticut VF	175.00	483	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
7	#7 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	101	#217 Thirty OG V SI Hinge Close at R	15.00	349	#742c Connecticut VF	175.00	484	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
8	#8 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	102	#218 30c Fine Copy	8.50	350	#742d Connecticut VF	175.00	485	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
9	#9 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	103	#219 20c OG Caps on both 2's Scarce	12.00	351	#742e Connecticut VF	175.00	486	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
10	#10 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	104	#220 10c part O.G. Full Margs	8.00	352	#742f Connecticut VF	175.00	487	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
11	#11 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	105	#221 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	353	#742g Connecticut VF	175.00	488	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
12	#12 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	106	#222 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	354	#742h Connecticut VF	175.00	489	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
13	#13 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	107	#223 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	355	#742i Connecticut VF	175.00	490	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
14	#14 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	108	#224 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	356	#742j Connecticut VF	175.00	491	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
15	#15 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	109	#225 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	357	#742k Connecticut VF	175.00	492	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
16	#16 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	110	#226 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	358	#742l Connecticut VF	175.00	493	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
17	#17 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	111	#227 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	359	#742m Connecticut VF	175.00	494	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
18	#18 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	112	#228 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	360	#742n Connecticut VF	175.00	495	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
19	#19 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	113	#229 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	361	#742o Connecticut VF	175.00	496	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
20	#20 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	114	#230 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	362	#742p Connecticut VF	175.00	497	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
21	#21 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	115	#231 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	363	#742q Connecticut VF	175.00	498	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
22	#22 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	116	#232 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	364	#742r Connecticut VF	175.00	499	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
23	#23 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	117	#233 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	365	#742s Connecticut VF	175.00	500	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
24	#24 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	118	#234 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	366	#742t Connecticut VF	175.00	501	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
25	#25 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	119	#235 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	367	#742u Connecticut VF	175.00	502	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
26	#26 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	120	#236 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	368	#742v Connecticut VF	175.00	503	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
27	#27 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	121	#237 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	369	#742w Connecticut VF	175.00	504	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
28	#28 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	122	#238 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	370	#742x Connecticut VF	175.00	505	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
29	#29 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	123	#239 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	371	#742y Connecticut VF	175.00	506	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
30	#30 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	124	#240 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	372	#742z Connecticut VF	175.00	507	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
31	#31 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	125	#241 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	373	#742aa Connecticut VF	175.00	508	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
32	#32 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	126	#242 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	374	#742ab Connecticut VF	175.00	509	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
33	#33 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	127	#243 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	375	#742ac Connecticut VF	175.00	510	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
34	#34 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	128	#244 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	376	#742ad Connecticut VF	175.00	511	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
35	#35 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	129	#245 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	377	#742ae Connecticut VF	175.00	512	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
36	#36 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	130	#246 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	378	#742af Connecticut VF	175.00	513	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
37	#37 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	131	#247 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	379	#742ag Connecticut VF	175.00	514	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
38	#38 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	132	#248 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	380	#742ah Connecticut VF	175.00	515	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
39	#39 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	133	#249 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	381	#742ai Connecticut VF	175.00	516	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
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43	#43 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	137	#253 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	385	#742am Connecticut VF	175.00	520	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
44	#44 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	138	#254 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	386	#742an Connecticut VF	175.00	521	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
45	#45 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	139	#255 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	387	#742ao Connecticut VF	175.00	522	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
46	#46 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	140	#256 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	388	#742ap Connecticut VF	175.00	523	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
47	#47 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	141	#257 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	389	#742aq Connecticut VF	175.00	524	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
48	#48 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	142	#258 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	390	#742ar Connecticut VF	175.00	525	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
49	#49 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	143	#259 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	391	#742as Connecticut VF	175.00	526	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
50	#50 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	144	#260 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	392	#742at Connecticut VF	175.00	527	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
51	#51 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	145	#261 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	393	#742au Connecticut VF	175.00	528	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
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54	#54 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	148	#264 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	396	#742ax Connecticut VF	175.00	531	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
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56	#56 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	150	#266 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	398	#742az Connecticut VF	175.00	533	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
57	#57 10 Gm Type I Expt. Rep G Marg Beauty	500.00	151	#267 30c OG perfs touch L F	13.50	399	#742ba Connecticut VF	175.00	534	United States Air Collection C-12, 16-45 (49) Stamps Beautifully mounted in Alb.	89.60
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Topical Masonic stamp collecting is inexpensive and easy. Yet it opens endless vistas to a knowledge of history, philosophy, architecture, astronomy, geometry, art, music, design, and other subjects. A collection of Masonic Washingtonia costs only a few dollars. Good guides are "A Masonic Stamp Collection" by G. B. Clark sold for \$1 by the Masonic Service Assn., 700 10th St. N. W., Washington 1, D. C. and "Masonic Philately" by Sam Brooks, 505 5th Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

A pair of "Masonic Stamp Albums" by C. O. Clausen sells for \$7. Album I contains spaces for U. S. issues bearing portraits of Masons. Historical and Masonic data are given for each stamp. For example, the Statue of Liberty was designed by Bartholdi, a Mason, and mounted on a base which was laid with Masonic ceremonies in 1884.

Album II is devoted to foreign stamps of Masonic significance. These include the crowned heads of Europe and the patriots of Latin America. In addition to the Honduran stamp depicting the Masonic Temple at Tegucigalpa, the album lists ten Cuban stamps of Masonic interest.

In addition to the writers mentioned in various articles, the philatelic press often carries articles on Masonic philately. Watch for them.

The following works are available in most public libraries: "Masonic Soldiers of Fortune" by W. M. Stuart; "Famous Masons", J. A. Bell; "Washington and His Masonic Companions", Sidney Hayden; "Freemasonry in the Northwest Territory", Dr. J. J. Tyler; "Our Masonic Heritage", by G. B. Clark; "Famous Masons and Masonic Presidents", H. L. Haywood.

Also "Masonic Presidents, Vice Presidents, and Signers", W. L. Boyden; and "Territorial Masonry", R. V. Denslow. For those interested in Masonic cancellations the premier work in the field is "Masonic Cancellations on Early U. S. Stamps" by Dr. S. D. Swan. H. M. Konwiser has also done much research in this field of collecting.

Moving into the field of Masonic literature, it would be easy to begin with the excellent article on "Freemasonry" in the Encyclopedia Britannica. Other well-known works are "Concise History of Freemasonry" by R. F. Gould; "Freemasonry in America", M. M. Johnson; "Foreign Countries" C. H. Claudy; and "Symbolical Masonry", H. L. Haywood.

It is interesting to note that Mozart's "Magic Flute" and Gounod's "The Queen of Sheba" were operas written to bring out the symbolism of speculative Masonry.

Other works include "Masonic Organizations and Allied Orders and Degrees" by H. V. B. Voorhis; "Masonic Address and Writings", Roscoe Pound; "Encyclopaedia of Freemasonry", A. G. Mackey; "Kennings Cyclopaedia and Handbook", A. F. A. Woodford; "Bibliographie der Freimaurerischen Literatur", A. Wolfstieg; "Beruhete Freimaurer", Dr. Theodor Vogel.

A recommended work, "The Memorial to Washington" by C. H. Callahan was published in 1932 by the Grand Lodge of Virginia. Master Masons seeking advanced light may secure the transactions of the Quatuor Coronati Lodge No. 2076 located at 27 Great Queen St., London W. C. 2, England.

The magazine "Royal Arch Mason", P. O. Box 429, Trenton, Mo., offers the following publications: "History of Royal Arch Masonry", "Encyclopaedia of the Royal Arch Degrees", "10,000 Famous Freemasons", and others. The latter multi-volume work is especially useful for those interested in portraits on stamps.

An excellent source of reference material is the Masonic Service Assn. at 700 10th St., N. W., Washington 1, D. C. Their publications include: "Great Masons of America", "Masonic Shrines", "Masonic Tree (Chart)", "Your Masonic Capital City", "Bible and Masonic Ritual", "History of the English Bible", "Personal Masonic Library", "Freemasonry in Europe", "Masonic Welfare Work", and "Grand Lodge Honors and Distinctions".

Inexpensive, but highly interesting, are the colored postcards sold over the souvenir counters at Mt. Vernon and the Washington National Memorial in Alexandria. The latter place sells a folder with 12 Masonic color photos of the Memorial and George Washington which is well worth having.

Various lodges and other Masonic organizations and individuals throughout the country mark Masonic events by preparing commemorative covers. These can be secured from the organizations or individuals making them. When writing them for information, be sure to enclose return airmail postage as most of them have no provision for such incidental expenses.

A fast disappearing source of Masonic collecting is the Match and Medicine and other U. S. revenues. A careful check of a revenue catalog will yield a rich list of stamps. But try to find the stamps!

Finally an indispensable reference work for all philatelists is a stamp catalog. There are several of them. The Minkus Publications of New York put out a series known as the "American Stamp Catalog", and volumes I-II and III of the "World-Wide Postage Stamp Catalog". These are highly recommended because they give quite a bit of information on the stamps themselves.

For example, the following comment is made on the 1952 3c Red Cross stamp: "The International Red Cross issue honored the great humanitarian Society founded by Jean Henri Dunant and others, in the Geneva Convention in 1864. Its headquarters in Geneva provide an exchange for all the Red Cross societies of the world in time of war. Maintaining strict neutrality, the organization extends relief to civilian victims of war, furnishes aid to war prisoners, and attempts the surveillance of their treatment by their captors."

Other well-known stamp catalogs are published by Scott Publications in New York and Stanley Gibbons Ltd. in London. All these catalogs are readily available in any public library or can be bought at any stamp shop for a few dollars. Then there is the "poor man's catalog" of American stamps for 25c put out by the H. E. Harris Co., 108 Massachusetts Ave., Boston, Mass.

The best source for information on U. S. stamps is Post Office Department publication, No. 9 entitled, "Postage Stamps of the U. S. 1847-1957" which can be obtained by sending \$1 to the U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C. This thick book gives official information on the details of stamps issued by the U. S.

In addition to "Topical Time", its official journal, the American Topical Assn., 3306 N. 50th St., Milwaukee 16, Wis. has published several monographs of Masonic interest. Among these are Handbook No. 12 (\$4) which contains lists of Masonic biographies and articles on Gothic architecture; Handbook No. 5 (\$2) on Royalty on Stamps; Handbook No. 11 (\$3) The Red Cross on Stamps; Handbook No. 14 (\$3) Flags on Stamps; and Handbook No. 17 (\$3) Rotary International on Stamps.

Background of Freemasonry—To form a topical Masonic collection, one must know something about Freemasonry. An easily available source of information is the article on Freemasonry in the Encyclopedia Britannica written by Hughan and Jones and brought up to date by R. B. Harris, Past Grand Master of Masons in the District of Columbia.

In the U. S. Masonry begins with the boy who is admitted to the Order of the DeMolay. As he becomes of age, he may apply for membership in the Blue Lodge. After going through the steps of these degrees, he is eligible to take the degrees of the York or the Scottish Rite. After the completion of this work, he may join the Shrine. The woman's auxiliary moves from the Order of Job's Daughters or the Rainbow Girls to the International Order of the Eastern Star.

The Blue Lodge is the keystone of the Masonic system. It was planted in the American colonies by English, Scottish, and Irish Masons during the early days of the 18th century. In 1734, when he was 28 years old, Benjamin Franklin was elected the Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania. In the same year, he reprinted Anderson's "The Constitutions of the Freemasons", the first Masonic book printed in America.

The principles governing the lodges generally included a belief in the Deity, the presence of the Holy Bible on the altar, the forbidding of political discussion within the lodge, strict nonsectarianism, and observance of the moral law. The District of Columbia and the 48 states each has an independent Grand Lodge but all work together harmoniously.

The term "York Rite" is merely a name without organizational substance. This rite consists mainly of a Royal Arch Chapter and a Commandery. The latter is exclusively Christian in character and its members are often seen in uniformed

reviews.

The Scottish Rite degrees first evolved on the continent of Europe, and its conception as an organization was set forth in what are known as the Grand Constitutions of 1762 and 1786. The latter is traditionally believed to have had the sanction of Frederick the Great of Germany, who was a Mason. Transmitted through the West Indies to America, the first Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite was established in Charleston, S. C. in 1801.

Freemasonry is a word used to describe the beliefs and practices of Freemasons. A craft rather than an order, it is secret only in having rituals and other matters not to be divulged to non-members — a society with secrets, but not a secret society. Its places of meeting are prominently identified and its governing bodies publish annual proceedings. The membership is a matter of record and, particularly in the U. S., public knowledge.

Men from all walks of life meet together in their adherence to a moral code. Its principles are largely conveyed through symbols and allegories, connected with the art of building, with emphasis on benevolence. In the British Commonwealth, the United States, Scandinavia, and other parts of the world with constitutional governments, distinguished citizens and heads of governments are often active Masons.

An oft repeated story about Theodore Roosevelt, the 26th President of the United States, exemplifies the workings of Masonry. He was a member of Matinecock Lodge No. 896, in Oyster Bay, N. Y. He had noticed that his gardener was regularly absent on certain evenings. On inquiry, he found out that the man regularly attended lodge.

When Roosevelt presented himself at the Lodge to seek admission, he found his gardener sitting as Master. This democratic spirit convinced him of the goodwill of masonry. Roosevelt appears on several U. S. and Canal Zone stamps.

The above survey covers fraternal organizations which are a part of the Masonic group. There are many other fine organizations of a similar nature. Some specialists may prefer to go into the entire field of topical collecting which includes all kinds of fraternal organizations.

Masonry and Stamps Around the World — Some idea of the strength of modern Freemasonry may be gained from the fact that the English Grand Lodge had 6510; the Irish, 1014; and the Scottish, 1463 lodges stretching from Aberdeen to Trincomalee. The English Grand Lodge recognizes 49 Grand Lodges in the U. S.; 5 in Central America (Continued on page 19)

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Visitors to the exhibition will also see the bourse tables with stamps and philatelic accessories suitable for any collector's needs. Poland, U. S. and UN material, so popular among junior collectors and avid adults alike will be offered, along with much and varied topical material.

MASONIC COLLECTING (Continued from page 18)

and Mexico; 11 in South America, and two in the West Indies.

There are Grand Lodges in Canada, Australia, Denmark, Finland, France, Greece, Iceland, The Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, the Philippines, China, Japan, and other countries.

Reporting on the postwar situation in Europe, R. V. Denslow, chairman of the Foreign Relief Committee of the Masonic Service Association said that after the Hitlerite suppression, Masonry has revived in Germany. The Temple in Copenhagen which was taken by the German Occupation forces has been restored. The Kloss Library has been returned to Holland by the Germans.

King Gustav V took over as Grand Master in Sweden. The Grand Lodge Swiss Alpina, the Grand Orient of Italy, and the Grand Lodge of Greece are now working. The stamps of these countries are rich in Masonic symbolism.

In the Far East, Americans played important roles in the development of Masonry in the Philippines, China, Japan, and Korea. They were the founders of modern Freemasonry on Okinawa. Americans appear on the stamps of the Philippines. The former postmaster general on Taiwan was a Mason. He organized the Philatelic Agency during his term of office.

Since the U. S. occupation of Japan, Masonry has made vast strides and now has its own Grand Lodge. Although Masonry was unpopular among the Japanese before the arrival of General MacArthur, it was given a strong impetus in 1903 when Viscount Hayashi was initiated in Empire Lodge No. 2106 in London, England.

The latest eminent Japanese to join the fraternity is former premier, Hatoyama. The stamps of Japan are rich in Masonic symbols. Japanese revenue stamps abound with the sun, moon, stars, and the Japanese version of the signs of the Zodiac.

A Japanese stamp of unusual Masonic interest is the 10 yen Port Centennial issue of 1958 marking Commodore Perry's trade treaty with Japan. Commodore Perry's portrait appears on the stamps of the Ryukyu Islands and the U. S. His brother's likeness also appears on some U. S. stamps. Both were long time Masons.

The "New Age", organ of the Supreme Council 33rd Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction, carried sev-

eral interesting articles on the growth of Masonry in Korea during the period of U. S. administration. The old Han Yang Lodge was activated under the Military Government. This lodge works under the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

There are Masonic Clubs in Pusan, Seoul, Taegu, and Kimpo Airport. They participate in the maintenance of the Pusan Children's Charity Hospital. In addition to the American flag, the stamps of Korea show the Star of Bethlehem, the Red Cross, tree planting, light, Statue of Liberty, triangle, dove, and the sun.

British Masonic and philatelic traditions prevail in Australia. The only philatelic lodge in the world, the Philatelic Lodge No. 552 in Melbourne, Australia, was consecrated in June 1944.

Moving across the Middle East to North Africa, we find lands rich in Masonic lore and stamps that depict such fascinating symbols as the all-seeing eye, the Lion of Judah, the Star of David, and the Holy Ark.

Much early American Masonry came via the West Indies. We can find Masonic Temples on the stamps of Latin American countries. Lodges in South America have been working for over 100 years. Bolivar and San Martin, Masons, and liberators of South America, appear on the stamps of the U. S. as well as a host of South American countries.

Masonic Covers and Cancellations — In addition to the stamps themselves, there is a wide variety of covers which are of Masonic interest. The most well-known of this group are the George Washington commemorative covers. A large group of handstamped cachets was used in 1932 in connection with the Washington Bicentennial stamps.

In the same year, the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce used a handstamp cachet to mark the dedication of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial. In 1952, Fredericksburg Lodge in Virginia prepared a purple printed cachet to mark the bicentennial of the initiation of George Washington. In 1957, a bicolor printed Masonic cachet was used to mark the 225th anniversary of Washington's birthday.

Although it was not issued as such, the U. S. stamp of greatest Masonic significance is the 3c purple of 1939 which was issued to mark the 150th anniversary of the inauguration of George Washington as the first President of the United States on April 30, 1789. The central design depicts a scene on the balcony of Federal Hall in New York City.

Chancellor Robert R. Livingston, who was the Grand Master of Masons in New York State at the time, is shown administering the oath of office. George Washington is shown with his hand resting on the Holy Bible. This was the Altar Bible of St. John's Lodge No. 1 of New York City. This occasion left its mark on this Bible, according to Masonic Historiography.

In addition to General Morgan Lewis, the Chief Marshal of Ceremonies, seven other Masons attended the ceremonies. Other points of Masonic interest are the triangles and the 3's in the corners, the arch in the background, and the purple color of the stamp.



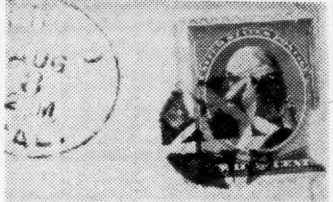
A similar item is the 3 pence purple peace stamp issued in 1946 by Great Britain. Although the stamp is officially said to be without Masonic significance, there is no denying that the symbolism is all there. King George VI, who was the Grand Master of England, is shown with his crown, which has the Cross of Malta. The brickwork or masonry is obvious.

The "3" at each corner covers the three degrees which are shown across the bottom of the stamp; beginning with the cable-tow, the square and compasses, and the trowel with its setting maul. Higher degrees are shown by the purple color of the stamp, the loops of the cable-tow, the dove, and the twig of acacia. This cover should be in every collection.

An unlimited and fairly inexpensive topical Masonic collection is the accumulating of corner cards with names of Masonic organizations in the U. S. and abroad. The corner cards of territorial lodges which went out of existence are very hard to find. Corner cards of most lodges include the square and compasses while the Grotto and Shrine sometimes have beautiful corners with symbols in brilliant colors.

Another popular field of collecting is Masonic cancellations. The best way to start is to begin with current cancellations of Masonic interest. There are more than 9 towns in the U. S. designated "Mason". A postcard will bring you all you want. Postmasters in these towns are especially cooperative.

From these cancellations, we move into the elite of topical Masonic collecting — the fancy cancellations on U. S. stamps. Masonic cancellations are in the form of stars, square and compasses, trowels, and triangles. These cancellations have been properly identified by stamps found on full cover. They run from a few dollars for stamps of the common U. S. 3c Bank Note issues to \$20 and \$30 for covers. One should not go into this field without first getting a sound knowledge of these cancellations. The Minkus catalog wisely warns, "Many fake cancellations exist."

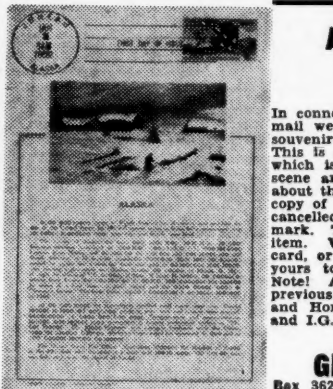


In most stamp exhibitions, there is usually a frame of stamps with Masonic cancellations. Study them carefully if you are determined to plunge into this expensive field of collecting.

In addition to topical philatelic collecting, there is also a broad field of collecting in Masonic numismatics. The coins of such countries as Israel and the banknotes of the U. S. and a considerable number of other countries contain portraits of Masons, Masonic symbols and mottoes. However, the field is dominated by Chapter Pennies. These are also known as the Mark Penny and are used in degree work.

Dr. B. P. Wright, an early president of the American Numismatic Society and a 32nd Degree and Royal Arch Mason, compiled a series of three lists of Chapter Pennies which were published by "The Numismatist", a long established periodical.

In addition to especially designed pennies, many lodges use stock pennies or mules with chapter dies. The pennies are sometimes supplemented with medallions and souvenir pieces. Dr. Wright describes a "satirical" piece in his third list with an interesting explanation of its symbols. Many an old hobby shop has a bowl full of these interesting pieces for 25c or less. The largest known collection of Masonic pennies is on public exhibit in the House of the Temple in Washington, D. C.



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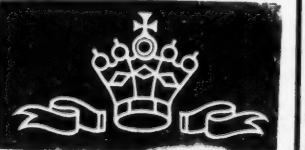
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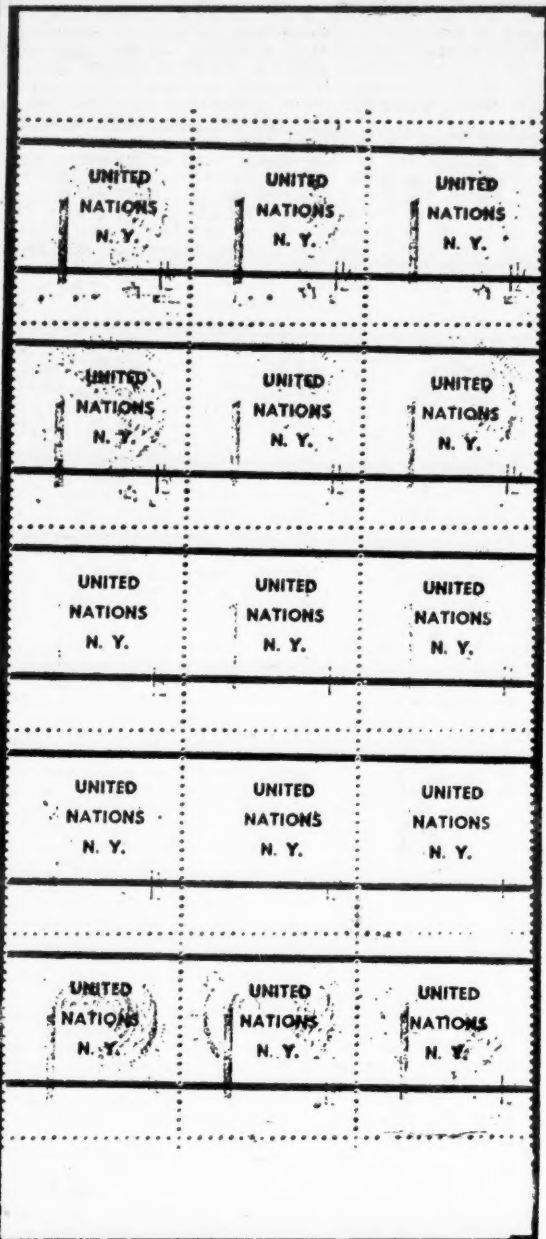
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The 1958 edition of the Congress Book has been distributed. This serious philatelic work was published in conjunction with the American Philatelic Congress in New York City, October 31-November 2.

The volume, capably edited by Dr. George L. Fite, contains fifteen articles on various philatelic subjects. Of particular interest to British Commonwealth collectors are three of them.

Dr. Richard W. Garlich presents his conception of a topical collection of Queen Elizabeth II and Dr. G. Philip Grabfield continues his previous exploration of Malta postal history by covering postal markings, 1893 to 1909. Your columnist prepared a brief study of the history, postal history and stamps of the Federation of the West Indies.

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Australia—A special postage stamp commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Post Office in Australia will be issued at all post offices April 22, and will remain on sale for approximately five weeks.

The design will depict Isaac Nichols, the first postmaster boarding a vessel in Sydney Harbor to receive the mail. Mr. Nichols was appointed Australia's first postmaster by a government order of April 25, 1809, and he was required to board vessels and take delivery of the mails. At the same time the first post office was established at Mr. Nichols' office.

The new commemo will be of the same size and format as the current 7d Royal Flying Doctor Service stamp and will be issued in sheets of 80. (Australian News and Information Bureau).

On June 5, according to the same source, a special 4d stamp commemorating the centenary of Queensland will be issued at all post offices. It will remain on sale for approximately five weeks.

Nigeria—A special issue of two values, 3d and 1/, has been ordered for Nigeria from Waterlow & Sons Ltd., to commemorate the attainment of self government by the Northern Region of Nigeria.

The designs will have a common border similar to that used for the special 3d stamp released on December 1 to commemorate the centenary of the founding of Victoria, Southern Cameroons which includes a portrait of Her Majesty. The vignette of the 3d will feature Lugard Hall and that of the 1/- Kano Mosque.

They will be printed on C.A. (block capitals) watermark paper, the 1/- by the recess process, the 3d value by the rotary. In horizontal format, colors will be black and cobalt-violet for the 3d and black and green for the high value 1/-.

Ghana—Supplemental information received regarding the Abraham Lincoln set, indicates that the printing was done by Harrison & Sons Ltd. Three values comprise the set: 2 1/2d pink and purple-brown, 1/3 bronze blue and light blue and 2/6 primrose and olive green.

East New York Club To Continue In High School

The East New York Stamp Club of Brooklyn, N. Y. will continue meeting as usual in Room 226 at Thomas Jefferson High School. This club is not affected by the current Evening High School teachers walk-out in New York City.

At the February 27 meeting, the 1958 catalogs will be offered. Persons interested in joining can appear in person to buy, sell or swap. Fridays at 8:00 p.m. or contact Mrs. Shirley Mark, president, 495 Alabama Ave., Brooklyn 7, N. Y. There are seats and desks available to accommodate 40 persons.

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Besides, the occupational post offices maintained mail delivery only to the county seats or to cities where the offices of "General Government" were operated — other cities were altogether without postal service. The authorities of the larger Polish cities, therefore, organized their own, self-sustaining postal services. There were two varieties of service: home-to-home mail delivery (after certain extra payment) and postal connections to smaller Polish centers and the nearest "General Gouvenment post offices". They were based on the established and functioning "Citizens Committee" (Komitet Obywatelski m. Warszawy) postal service in Warsaw.

The Citizens Committee of Warsaw, after permutation with the representatives of the post and telegraph office of German Occupation Forces (August 1915), organized its own "City Post". Because the German occupants of Poland did not command a large force of their own postal employees, the burden of the improved mail service in Warsaw was gladly accepted by the City Post. The mail from the German post offices delivered to Warsaw's City Post then began to circulate in house-to-house delivery.

The official opening of the Warsaw City Post took place September 23, 1915 at the post office building at 7 Mazowiecki St. The first post office superintendent was Henryk Maurin; while Karol Jenike served as the director of the personnel.

The Citizens Committee was empowered to collect a special prepayment for delivery of mail to addressees, in accordance with the postal tariffs set up by the German Occupation authorities. The special charges were expected to cover expenses of the Warsaw Postal Service. For these reasons, special postal hand dies were appropriated after the acceptance of the design.

On October 20, 1915 the Warsaw post office accepted the task of delivering the telegrams and inaugurated the collection of mail franked with regular German occupation stamps. This mail was delivered after an attachment of a special adhesive or handstamp of the city postoffice. This kind of correspondence was usually stamped with "Wreczenie Oplacone" (Delivery Prepaid).

During the first month of its existence (September 23 to October 14, 1915) the Warsaw city post office used a round, metal cancellation die with a likeness of the "Warsaw Syren". Later on, oval cancellation dies were substituted. At the end of 1915, the German Occupational post office dies were substituted. The round, metal dies were armed with letters "a" and "b" for easy recognition.

As soon as Warsaw obtained the title of "self-ruled" (May 10, 1916), the "Citizens Committee of Warsaw" (Komitet Obywatelski m. Warszawy) disbanded and all the public offices, agencies and postal service were taken over by the "City Authority" (Zarząd Miejski).

On November 27, 1916 General-Governor Bessler issued an order canceling all permits for printing postage stamps and forbidding the use of adhesives for "local use". This manifesto applied to all of Poland under occupation.

Due to Governor Bessler's orders, the Warsaw city postoffice created new, special hand dies differing in shape, for use to stamp all letters with a new tariff, depending on the kind of mail. In the upper part of the new devices were the words "Poczta Miejska" (City

Post); in the center the amount for prepayment, and at the bottom the word "Grosze". A bit later "Grosze" was replaced by "Fenygi" (plural for pfennig).



After regaining complete freedom the Warsaw city post office was renamed "Postal Bureau, Warsaw".

Setting up of the Warsaw postal organization as ideal, other Polish cities copied the system. The cities of Lodz, Sosnowiec and Czesochowa were the first to organize their own city postal services, based on the arrangement in Warsaw.

The Sosnowiec post office even issued its own stamps that depicted the city's coat of arms. These adhesives were short lived — February 19-July 8, 1916. The stamps were recalled from postal windows on orders from the enemy occupant of Poland who forbade the use of the adhesives for local use. In compliance, the Sosnowiec post office created a "due" hand stamp. This was a copy of Warsaw's special tariff hand stamp.

The city of Czesochowa used characteristic handstamps worded in the German and Polish languages. The three handstamps were denominated for 5, 10 and 20 pfennigs (later raised to 10, 20 and 30). Such stamps were copied and also used in Lodz, Pruszkow, Aleksandrow, Czeladz, Siedlce and Wloclawek.

Under German supervision, the city of Zawiercie—a busy little one in the county of Bedzin—had no post office at all until July 1915. The acquisition of a postal facility was through a request of a German magistrate, in order to keep a closer contact with the nearest occupational post office.

A German postmaster was nominated to act as manager of the postal facility. Previously all correspondence had been sent to a German post office in Sosnowiec, a distance of about 22 miles.

In order to cover the expenses of the postal service, the postmaster (with permission of the occupational authority) charged 10pf. for ordinary mail and 20 pf. for valuable correspondence delivered in the city of Sosnowiec. This style of charging for mail delivery was soon changed to the Warsaw city service fashion in order to ease the hardships of the population and to attain better control of the mail.

On January 10, 1916 two stamps for local use by the city of Zawiercie were placed on sale. The 10pf. showed the river Warta and the 20pf. pictured the city's high school. The adhesives were the project of Julius Izaak. After only four days of use, they were recalled by order of the occupational authority.



The Citizens of Zarki, Luboml and Przedborz also printed their own stamps for local use on mail posted at the local post offices. These adhesives were used for sometime because the Austrian authorities were much more tolerant and understanding. The city of Luboml ordered the

stamps from printers in Prague as early as 1918. They were not used as circulated postal media due to ending of World War I, although some first day covers and posted envelopes were canceled as an accommodation for philatelists.



Some of the Polish self-sustaining postal services had their stamps or labels printed as early as 1916. The city of Otwock is an example: in place of recognized stamps, that municipality, under occupation, used labels on letters mailed locally.

The seals bore the name "Towarzystwo Przyjaciół Otwocka" (Friends of Otwock Society) and were of a 20gr. denomination. The organization voluntarily undertook the task of delivering mail on Otwock territory.

All above elucidated services came automatically under the supervision of Poland's Postal Ministry upon the nation's regaining freedom from enemy occupation.

Even then the Polish Ministry of Posts was forced to print the stamps denominated in pfennigs, hallers or groszy, depending on the part of Poland in which they were assigned to serve as postal franking media. This trend lasted until the Polish money was stabilized, at which time all postage was valued in groszy and zloty.

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Where Are The Successful Speculators?

Henry M. Goodkind

(Editors Note: Mr. Goodkind is editor of the *Collectors Club Philatelist*, published by the Collectors Club, 22 E. 35th St., New York 16, N.Y. The following in our opinion is important reading to all stamp collectors — it answers many of the questions pertaining to, "Should I speculate in stamps?" It appeared in the January 1959 edition of the CCP.)

The good or evil of speculating with stamps will not be debated in this column. Some people seem to want to gamble with new stamp issues. Many popular stamp weeklies cater to their wishes by running a market advice column. It is irrelevant if a dedicated philatelist thinks that such tipster writings are harmful or not.

The essential point is to learn just how successful the philatelic speculator has been. One should do some inquiring. First of all, what about those giving market advice? Have they made handsome profits through their own stamp buying? One advising others how to make money should have done it for himself.

Furthermore, right here in New York City are some of the most successful philatelic professionals in the world. They have made money through stamp dealing and philatelic auctions. They know the philatelic market. Ask them how much they have made by gambling with new issues. We did, and not one told us that he has made one red cent out of speculation.

One of the most successful stamp dealers told us that he had speculated with new issues about six times in the past fifteen years. His first venture was very profitable. But he took all his profits and invested them in other issues. As a result, he lost not only all of his original purchase, but much more. Therefore, he decided about five years ago to forego speculation and devote all his time to his regular business, stamp dealing.

Another highly successful dealer stated that it has been his experience that handling the newest stamps is not too profitable. Present-day costs resulting in high overhead expenses limit the margin of profit on new issues. He is satisfied to allow the inexperienced amateur to speculate, thus having the latter carry a stock in which the dealer's funds are not frozen.

Now what about the prominent collectors of today? Are they speculating with current stamps in quantity? All whom we asked said that they were not. They were putting their stamp funds into seasoned stamps, not in quantities of the very modern issues when placed on sale.

There seems to be no question but that in this country there is much activity in stamp speculation. Another article has just been read maintaining that money put in U.S. commemorative stamps has proved a better "investment" than in stocks, bonds, or real estate. We shall not argue this, although we violently disagree.

Personally we know of people in our community, who have expensive homes and drive Cadillacs. They made their money in Wall Street, business or real estate. Where are those who live like this and made their money through gambling with stamps? We do not know where they are; do you?

There is no reason to keep silent if one became rich through stamp speculation. There is no stigma attached to this. What matter if riches were gained speculating in stocks, grain, any other commodity, real property, or postage stamps? But it just so happens that no one has pointed to a beautiful home or a luxurious yacht and said: "He made his money by speculating with stamps."

George Washington On Many World Stamps

Herman J. Lichty

For many reasons, George Washington's portrait is a favorite for both the stamps of the United States and foreign countries. He appears on U. S. regular and special postage stamps, postal stationery, revenue stamps, coins, and bank notes.

The most notable group of adhesives featuring George Washington is probably the Washington Bicentennial issue of 1932. This set marked the 200th anniversary of his birth on February 22, 1732 in Westmoreland County, Virginia.

The various denominations depict Washington at various ages. The 1/2c stamp shows him at the age of 45 as Peale painted him on a miniature. The 1c depicts the Houdon bust, executed when Washington was 53.

The 1 1/2c is taken from Peale's painting of Washington at 40 when he was a Colonel in the Virginia militia. The 2c bears the Stuart portrait when he was 60. The 3c is copied after a portrait of Washington at 46 which was painted by Peale at Valley Forge.

The 4c shows him at 49 when Peale painted him. The 5c shows him at 63 as he appeared in a portrait by the same artist. The 6c shows him at 60, after a portrait by Trumbull, and the 7c shows him at 48 from another portrait by the same artist.

The 8c shows him at 66 from a Mennin drawing. The 9c depicts him as he appeared in the famous Williams Masonic portrait at 62 and the 10c pictures him at 63 from a Stuart portrait.

The Houdon bust appears on the stamps of France and Ireland while the Stuart portrait appears on those of Ecuador, Poland, Haiti, and Guatemala, among others. It is interesting to note that Washington appeared on the stamps of the Confederacy.

George Washington first appeared on the 5c stamp which was issued by the postmaster at Millbury, Mass. It now lists \$4500 used. He later appeared on the 5c item issued by New York.

In 1847 he appeared on the second stamp issued by the central post office, and the first set of U. S. revenue stamps features an excellent reproduction of the Stuart portrait.

The more dramatic events in George Washington's life were depicted in the commemorative issues of the U. S. post office. A 2c adhesive was issued in 1926 to mark the withdrawal from White Plains. Another was issued in 1927 to depict Washington kneeling in prayer during the darkest days of the Ameri-

can Revolution. A similar issue in 1930 depicted Vittor's monument of Washington and marked the 175th anniversary of Washington's retreat while serving under Braddock.

Another in 1931 marked the 150th anniversary of the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown, while the 3c 1933 Newburgh item marked the 150th anniversary of Washington's proclamation of peace at the end of the Revolutionary war.

The 1936 1c Army stamp is doubly interesting because it depicts Mt. Vernon as well as the general. The 150th anniversary of Washington's inaugural was noted by a stamp issued in 1939. A more recent commemorative featuring Washington appeared in 1949 to mark the 200th anniversary of the founding of Washington and Lee University which Washington assisted with an endowment of \$50,000. He also appeared on the "Brooklyn" stamp of 1951.

Among the stamps issued or used by U. S. possessions and administrative areas, Washington appear on several which were overprinted for use in the Canal Zone, Cuba, Guam, and the Philippines. But only the latter has issued a stamp featuring Washington astride a white horse.

In 1947 both Liberia and San Marino celebrated the centenary of the first U. S. postage stamp, so through the use of a "stamp on stamp" design, Washington appears on the stamps of both countries.

Hartford Club 50-Year Dinner On February 27

The Stamp Collectors' Club of Hartford, Inc. will celebrate its 50th anniversary with a dinner on February 17 at the South Park Methodist Church, 75 Main St., Hartford, Conn.

Ernest Kerr of the New York Herald Tribune will be guest speaker tendance of 25-30. It meets on the first and third Tuesdays. Present officers are Fredrick Webb, president; Elizabeth Muller, vice president; Charles Schuberth, secretary; and Mrs. Henry Francis, treasurer.

Lincoln's Influence On Post Office Noted

Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield commented on February 12, Abraham Lincoln's 150th birthday anniversary, that "Lincoln's influence on the Post Office Department is still felt." During the Lincoln Administration, he explained, these progressive developments were started:

1. Free city delivery of mail.
2. Railway Mail Service.
3. Postal Money Order System.
4. The International Congress of Paris, May, 1863, which led to the Universal Postal Union.
5. Uniform letter rates regardless of distance.

President Lincoln's interest in the POD probably sprang from his service as Postmaster at New Salem, Ill. from 1833 to 1836. "While Postmaster, he was known for his special service to his neighbors," added the PMG. "He would walk several miles to deliver a letter, and, while walking along the street, would stop, reach into his hat and pull out a letter for a neighbor, giving rise to the colorful story that Mr. Lincoln kept his post office in his hat."

Later, after his election to the 30th Congress in 1847, he served on a Committee of the House which had legislative jurisdiction over postal matters of that day.

To honor Lincoln, the Department is issuing four new commemorative stamps as a part of the Lincoln Sesquicentennial celebrations. One of these, the 1c value was placed on first day sale February 12 at Hodgenville, Ky., the nearest post office to Lincoln's birthplace. The first in the series of four — a 4c item — was issued at Freeport, Ill., last August 27. The 3c is to be placed on sale February 27, in New York City. And, finally, a second 4c value, the last of the series, will be released May 30 at Washington, D. C.

South Jersey Unit To Sponsor Jamboree

After a lapse of several years, the Assn. of South Jersey Stamp Clubs will stage a Jamboree at the Hotel Plaza, Camden, at 5th and Cooper Sts., Camden, N. J. on Saturday, February 28. The program will run from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. with talks to juniors, quizzes, auctions, and films at various times.

At 2 p.m. the Camden Post Office will present two films, covering the new automation program and modern methods of producing stamps. Quizzes for junior collectors will be given following the films. Also topical stamps will be shown by a well-known South Jersey philatelist.

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John A. Mirt

Postage stamps are not only of intrinsic value, they are usually memorials to some person or event. They frequently remind the student of the important role which Masons have played in the development of the nation.

The U.S. 3c Montana Statehood stamp (No. 858) issued in 1939 brings to mind the role of Masons in that area. The Grand Master of Montana dedicated the state capitol. The first four mayors of Helena were Masons.

The Lindbergh 10c airmail stamp issued in 1927 depicts the "Spirit of St. Louis" which flew Lindbergh to Paris. The occasion has been noted on stamps by Spain, Costa Rica, Cuba, Panama, and other nations.

The 3c Red Cross stamp of 1948, depicts Clara Barton. She was laid to rest in Oxford, Mass., by the Clara Barton Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

The 1928 2c Valley Forge stamp depicts Washington at prayer and has the motto "In God We Trust". This design was selected by Robert S. Regar, a Grand Master of the District of Columbia.

The Straits Settlements \$1 No. 40 of 1955 shows Sir Stamford Raffles who was initiated and passed by the Lodge Vertutis et Artis Amici in Java and raised in the Lodge of Friendship in Sourabaya. He founded Singapore as a free port to combat trade monopolies.

The German Federal Republic 20 pfennig stamp of 1956 honored Dr. Heinrich von Stephan. He was a member of the Lodge Teutonia zur Weisheit in Potsdam and the Prussian postmaster general who organized the UPU.

Greek stamps Nos. 418-420 depict King George who ruled Greece 1863-1913. He was born and made a Mason in Denmark. Constantine I on stamps Nos. 389-390 and Venizelos on Nos. 482-3, are also Masons.

The Japan 1949 Boy Scout issue reminds collectors that American Masons reactivated Scouting in Japan after the war. Mr. Mashina, the chief of Japan Boy Scouts, is a Mason. The boy depicted on the stamp is an American Boy Scout.

Of the "Famous Filipino" series, the 1c showing Quezon, the 5c Pilar, and the 2 Pesos Jaena all depict Masons who fought for the liberation of their homeland.

The first page of every Masonic collection should be devoted to the Holy Bible. An extremely fine stamp is the South African Voortreker 3 pence stamp No. 178. The open Bible in the center of this stamp symbolizes faith. The lit candle is emblematic of Light.

The Holy Bible, sometimes referred to as the "Volume of Sacred Law", is given as the rule and guide for all Masons.

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(The above information has appeared in "Masonry on Postage Stamps", a monthly bulletin formerly published by Mr. Mirt. Some back numbers of this Bulletin are still in stock. Interested collectors may write Mr. Mirt at 644 Melrose St., Chicago 13, Ill.—Ed.)

Lincoln Albums
Prizes At Interpex

"In lieu of the more usual prizes such as cups or trophies generally awarded at exhibitions, the forthcoming International Stamp Exhibition "INTERPEX" will inject a new and novel note by presenting an outstanding record album as prizes for the first time," Herbert Rosen, chairman and organizer of the show, has announced.

In keeping with the theme of this exhibition, dedicated to Abraham Lincoln, the recently issued record album "The Writings and Speeches of Abraham Lincoln" by the Audio Book Library was selected for this important purpose. This new album marks an important new milestone in the field of recorded literature.

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Several of these newly created albums will be placed at the disposition of the judges of the respective clubs participating at INTERPEX, to be awarded to the most popular exhibits in each category.

INTERPEX is being held at the Park Sheraton Hotel, New York City, from February 27 to March 1, and will be open to the public from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at an admission charge of \$1 for adults and 50c for children. Participating will be the post office departments of the United States and ten important foreign governments, along with seven leading New York area stamp organizations.

Stamp Society of Great Britain. Although all mimeographed, it is in booklet form with a cover, and supplies much information about foreign precancels which is pretty scarce over here.

There are illustrations too. How they do that I don't know; maybe that part was offset. Anyway, it's quite a bulletin and has also a good share of up-to-date news about U.S. precancels. The secretary is Miss K. Hoult, Argoslye, Mayfield, Sussex, England.

New Zealand To Note
Marlboro Centennial

New Zealand has scheduled a set of three stamps for March 2 release to mark the centennial of the province of Marlboro. After designs by G. R. Bull and G. R. Smith, they were rotogravure printed in England by Harrison and Sons, Lt.



The low value 2d green depicts the careening (beaching for cleaning) of the bark "Endeavor" at Ship Cover. The high value, 8d, is brown and depicts a scene from the salt industry at Grassmere.



The middle item is a 3d blue adhesive depicting the shipping of baled wool at the Wairau bar in 1857. All three stamps are of usual horizontal commemorative format, in sheets of 120 subjects.

Special souvenir covers are being sponsored by the Marlborough Centennial Committee at 3d each. They are on sale generally throughout the area. The post office plans to use a special cancellation device on the first day of sale, and also service first day covers—closing date, February 25.

According to the official announcement, the new adhesives will be withdrawn from sale at the end of May.

"Best Design" Poll
By Israel Philatelists

Ten years have passed since the birth of the State of Israel. During that period Israel has issued approximately 150 stamps. The Society of Israel Philatelists is conducting a poll to determine which in the opinion of the collectors are the ten best designs.

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A sample copy of "The Philatelist", official organ of the Society of Israel Philatelists will be sent free of charge to each contestant. The contest closes June 15.

THE SPUD PAPERS

Back in the 1870's, a series of 67 essays on hundreds of early stamp forgeries appeared in a number of pioneer British stamp journals. They bore the above somewhat unusual title, getting their name from a common English weeding tool since they were designed to eliminate counterfeits from collections. Detailed descriptions were given and, interesting enough the Papers were illustrated by 148 actual fakes.

Long since collectors' items, the full set, with the "duds" intact, will fetch \$100 any day, which means that most collectors have never seen them. Such old-time fakes still lurk in "grandpa" collections and new ones embracing the latter, by the 10,000, and fortunes are wasted on this bad stuff by ill-informed hobbyists every year.

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In July 1859 Arizona's first editor, Edward Ephraim Cross put aside his pen and composing stick, took up his trusty "shootin' arn", and sallied forth to defend the freedom of the press and his own right to mix a bit of vitriol with his printing ink. He and his opponent, Lt. Sylvester Mowry squared off at 40 paces with Burnside rifles and roared away with two shots each. Results: four wasted cartridges, two "honors" satisfied, and the first good foothold established for the then Territory's freedom of the press.

Kearney Egerton, cartoonist for the "Arizona Republic", created the above caricature depicting the two newspapermen in their encounter at Tubac, Ariz. The drawing refers to the centennial of Arizona journalism which will be celebrated at old Tubac on March 3. The Post Office Department has authorized reopening the post office there for one day to service special souvenir cachet covers.

Arizona's first newspaper, the "Weekly Arizonian", was published at Tubac, and the Valley of the Sun chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, national journalistic fraternity, in cooperation with the Phoenix Philatelic Assn., is issuing a set of three different cachet covers for the March 3 newspaper centennial celebration. The covers will bear the special Tubac post office cancellation.

Collectors interested in the unique cachets which portray the editors' duel, an old newspaper office, and century-old newspaper press, should send their orders to Tubac Cachets, Box 600, Tempe, Ariz. to arrive by March 1. Single covers are 25c; the complete set of three with special cancels, 50c.

The Egerton cartoon reproduced on this page will be printed on an 8 1/2 x 11 album size sheet and will be franked with an appropriate commemorative stamp and canceled on the March 3 centennial day at Tubac for 50c each, mailed flat. Orders should be sent to the address listed above.

"INTERPEX" To Feature Modern Philatelic Trend

The important and outstanding February 27-March 1 international stamp exhibition and competition being staged in New York City's Park Sheraton Hotel will be marked by the active participation of seven area philatelic organizations and the official postal departments of the United States and ten other nations.

The sponsoring clubs are the Metropolitan Air Mail Cover Club, the American First Day Cover Society, the Netherlands & Colonies Philatelists, the Postal Slogan Cancel & Meter Society, the France and Colonies Group, the American Society of Polar Philatelists, and the Ghana Philatelic Society.

Further highlighting this great philatelic event will be the official participation of the ten foreign governments, in addition to the United States Post Office Department's exhibit. These nations are Belgium, Switzerland, Ghana, France, Sweden, Liechtenstein, Israel, Germany, Finland, and the United Nations. Every government's display will be arranged in lounges especially decorated to depict the natural surroundings of the country concerned.

In keeping with INTERPEX's theme — honoring the sesquicentennial anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln — a special "Lincoln Exhibit" containing the most extensive collections of Lincolniana treasures ever to be seen in New York City has been gathered from the Lincoln Museum in Washington, D. C., The Cooper Union in New York and private collections around the country.

Among the objects on loan to INTERPEX are Lincoln's vestpocket Bible, a letter written by him in his capacity as postmaster, and the death mask and pair of Lincoln hands by Leonard Volk. Also included are a life mask by Clark Mills and the original lectern and chair Lincoln used when he made his famous speech at The Cooper Union which helped to win him the Republican nomination for the Presidency.

The Kazanjian Foundation of California will show its famous series "Presidents in Sapphire". Considered the world's largest carved sapphire four gems depict Lincoln, Washington, Jefferson, and Eisenhower. "This priceless display will be surrounded by panels of illustrative material such as the play bill for the night of Mr. Lincoln's death, John Wilkes Booth's diary, and numerous photographs and related subject matter," Herbert Rosen, chairman of the show, stated. In addition, panels from the U.S. Post Office Department featuring all Lincoln stamps issued up to now will be on display.

The advent of the jet and space age has not found stamp collectors unprepared. INTERPEX '59 will have many outstanding visual displays related to this new form of travel. The great advances made in rockets and their peaceful use in the transporting of mail will also be shown to the greatest advantage, Mr. Rosen stated. A 15-foot INTERPEX mail rocket, similar to the Army's "Sergeant" missile has been constructed for this event. It will be a visual example of how it is possible to carry over 10,000 letters up to 100 miles, within minutes.

American Airlines has built a 14-foot model of its new Boeing 707 Jet Flagship to show at INTERPEX. It also arranged with the cooperation of the U. S. Post Office, for the January 25 inaugural coast-to-coast jet flight to carry 5000 triple-faced first flight INTERPEX covers, which will be available only at the show. These covers made the trip to New York and back to Los Angeles in 10 hours and 24 minutes, and bear four separate cancellations to note the fact.

Pan American World Airways, has arranged a test of its airmail service from 21 points throughout the world for those attending INTERPEX. A visitor can obtain from the Pan Am booth a postcard picturing the country or city of his choice, address it to himself (or someone else) and hand it back to the airline attendant with 15c for the airmail postage. Then Pan Am will fly the card to the point selected and airmail it back from there. The speed of service can be determined by the cancellation.

According to Herbert Rosen, chairman and organizer of INTERPEX, "Stamp collecting is said to be the king of hobbies and the hobby of kings" — looking over the names of the INTERPEX exhibitors makes this seem to be true. Collectors exhibiting include doctors, lawyers, housewives, businessmen, civic leaders, Cardinal Spellman, and two theatrical celebrities, Paul Taubman and Vincent Lopez.

This outstanding three-day international philatelic exhibition will be open to the public daily from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. February 27-March 1.

PMG Summerfield At 3c Lincoln Stamp FD

Postmaster General Arthur. E. Summerfield, Mayor Robert F. Wagner of New York City, and New York Postmaster Robert Christenberry will be the principal speakers at a ceremony to be held at The Cooper Union on Friday, February 27, at 11:15 a.m. to dedicate the new 3c U. S. postage stamp commemorating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln.

The event will be held in The Cooper Union's Great Hall at 4th Ave. and 7th St., New York City, where Lincoln made his famous "Cooper Union Address" on the night of February 27, 1860. The dedication and first day sale of the 3c commemorative mark the 99th anniversary of

that address and are the prelude of a series of events planned to observe the 100th anniversary of The Cooper Union this year.

The New York Post Office will establish a substation at The Cooper Union from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on February 27. The new stamps will be sold and first day cancellations made. First day covers and special post cards will be available. The substation, which will be located in the corridor outside the Great Hall, will be closed during the ceremony, from 11:15 a.m. until noon.

Opening also on the 27th and extending through March 1 will be the great international philatelic exhibition in the Park Sheraton Hotel. Known as "INTERPEX '59", this event will particularly emphasize the long and extensive association which the name and likeness of the na-

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The double-headed eagle was probably first introduced into Freemasonry in 1758 when a "Council of Emperors of the East and West" was established in Paris. This Masonic body apparently adopted the symbol as a reference to the double jurisdiction which it claimed in its title.

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The Northern New Jersey and the New York Chapters of the ATA will jointly sponsor "TOPEX '59" which will be held on June 19-21 at the Sheraton-McAlpin Hotel in New York City.

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"Covers are still coming in and it is not known whether she will participate in the 1959 operations or not." Collectors should not send any covers in until they are definitely sure of the vessels participating in the future operations.

"Information in reference to the ships that will leave for the Arctic this summer can be obtained by writing the Military Sea Transportation Service, Atlantic Area, Dept. of the Navy, 58th St. and 1st Ave., Brooklyn 50, N. Y."

Balchen To Judge At Interpex Polar Show

The famous North and South Pole flier Col. Bernt Balchen has agreed to act as a judge at the stamp exhibit of the American Society of Polar Philatelists, to be held in collaboration with the "INTERPEX '59" exhibition from February 27-March 1 at the Park Sheraton Hotel in New York City, according to Dr. Neil D. Josephson, secretary of the Polar Philatelists.

The other two judges are Edwin Mayer, president of the Postal History Society and Mrs. Edith M. Faulstich, stamp editor of the Newark, N. J. "News".

The Society's Grand Award for the best collection will be a medal awarded in honor of Dr. Kane in 1857 by the State of New York, representing the "Discovery of the Open Polar Sea". This valuable and outstanding item being donated by Dr. Josephson is something which every Polar Philatelist would prize.



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Feb. 26-27-Mercury Stamp Co., 10 E. 40th St., New York 16, U. S. and foreign, wide showing.
Feb. 26-28-United Stamp Co., P. O. Box 74, Eastchester, N. H. U. S., Brazil world airport.
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News Round-Up From Washington

The most recent news developments from the Washington philatelic front concern a new first day record set by the Alaska Commemorative, data on the new 4 1/2c regular and the May 30 4c Lincoln stamps, and mention of two new slogan cancellations.

A new record for airmail first day covers was set in Juneau January 3 when the Alaska Statehood item reached sales of 753,571 stamps (\$52,749.97) and 489,752 FDC's, according to Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield. The previous high was set by the Alexandria airmail in 1949 when 386,717 FDC's were processed.

Charles R. Chickering modeled the forthcoming 4c Lincoln Sesquicentennial commemorative to appear May 30 in Washington. The original design was by Ervine Metzl, with the vignette engraved by Charles A. Brooks and the signature, lettering and numeral by George L. Huber. The design features an etching of part of a Fritz Busse drawing of the French statue in the Lincoln Memorial.

The 4 1/2c regular, picturing The Hermitage, will appear March 16 at Hermitage, Tenn. It was designed by Mr. Chickering and engraved by Matthew D. Fenton (vignette) and George A. Payne (lettering and numeral).

A special slogan cancellation was placed in use February 5, to continue through August 5, reading "Madison College 50th Anniversary". Westport, Conn. is utilizing a similar device February 10-December 31, with the legend "All American City Westport, Connecticut".

French-Swiss Stamps At France, Colonies Club

The regular monthly meeting of the France and Colonies Group will be held Tuesday March 3 at 8 p.m., at The Collectors Club, 22 E. 35 St., New York City.

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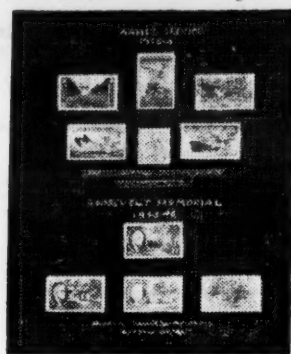
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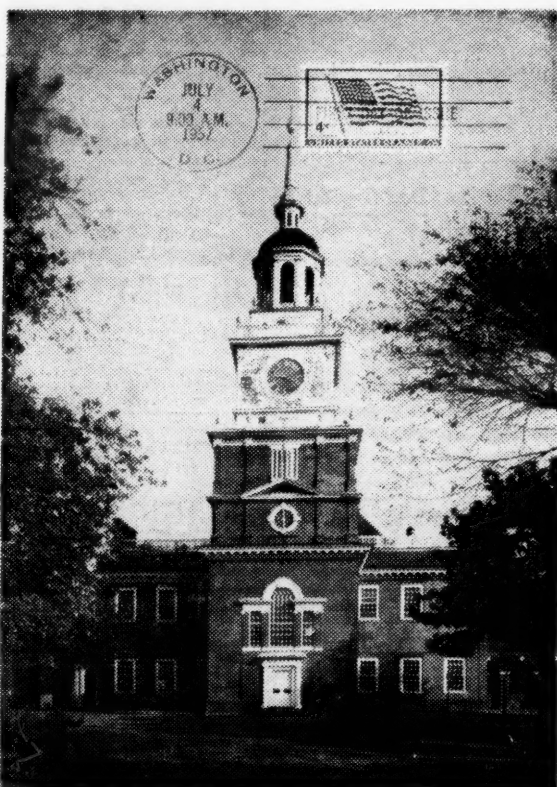
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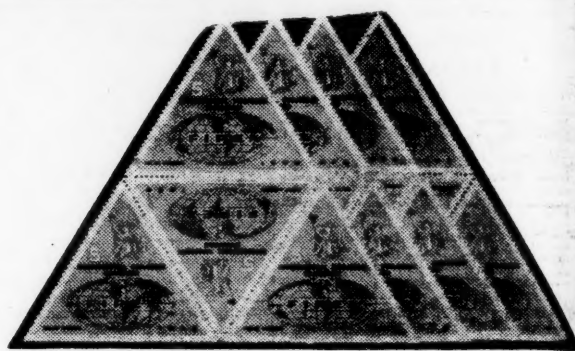
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